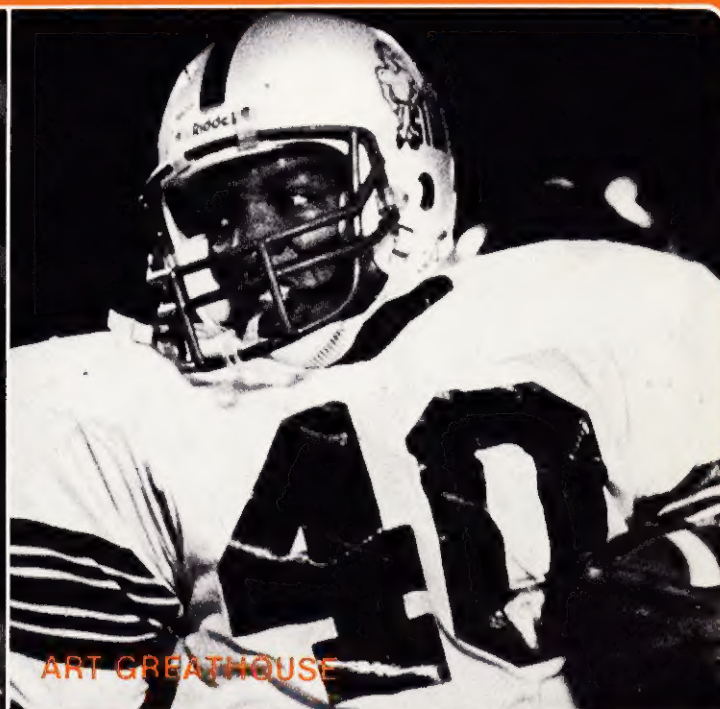
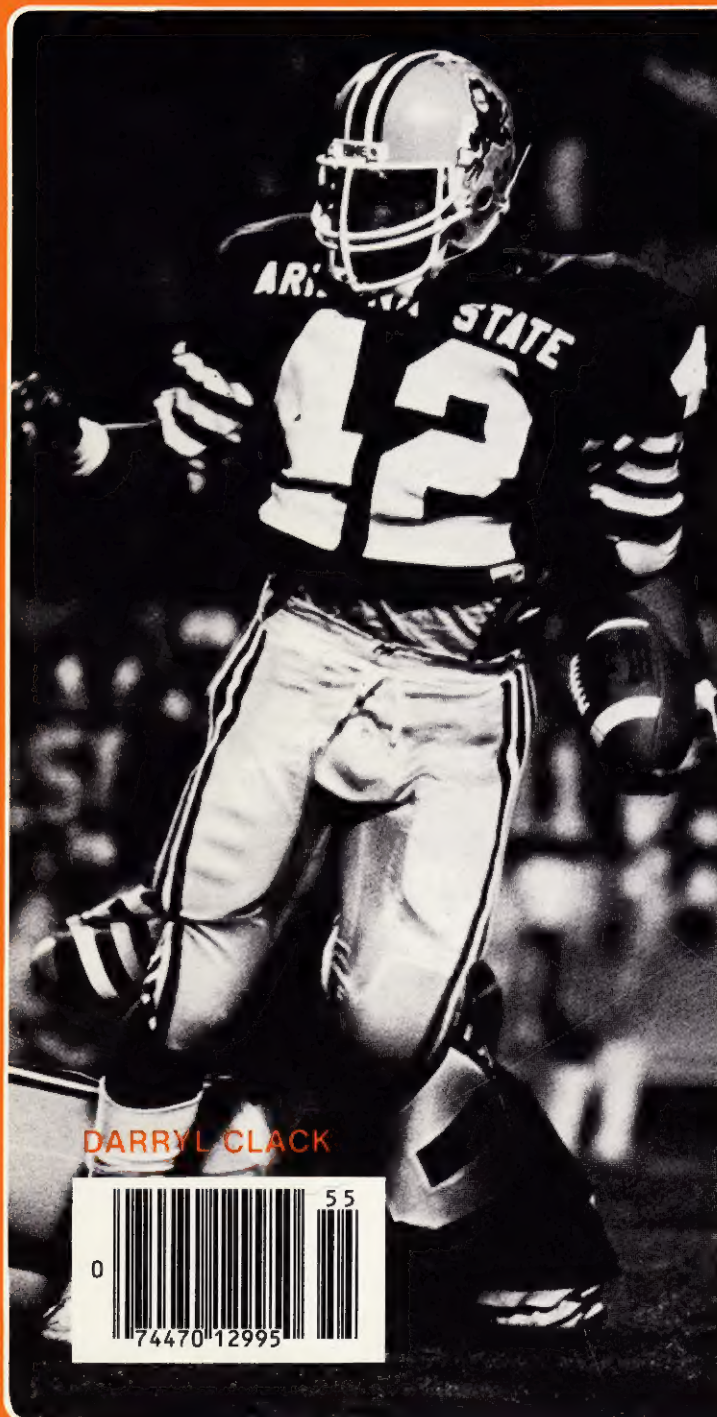


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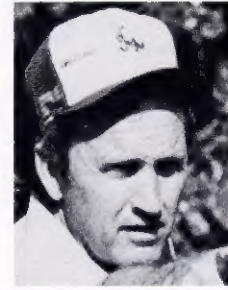
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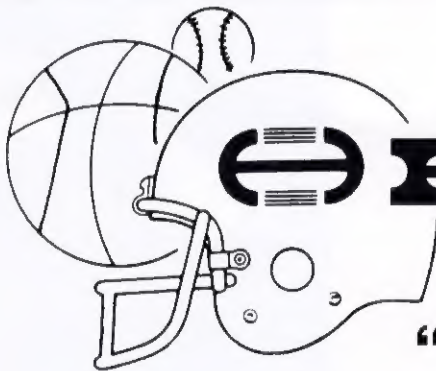


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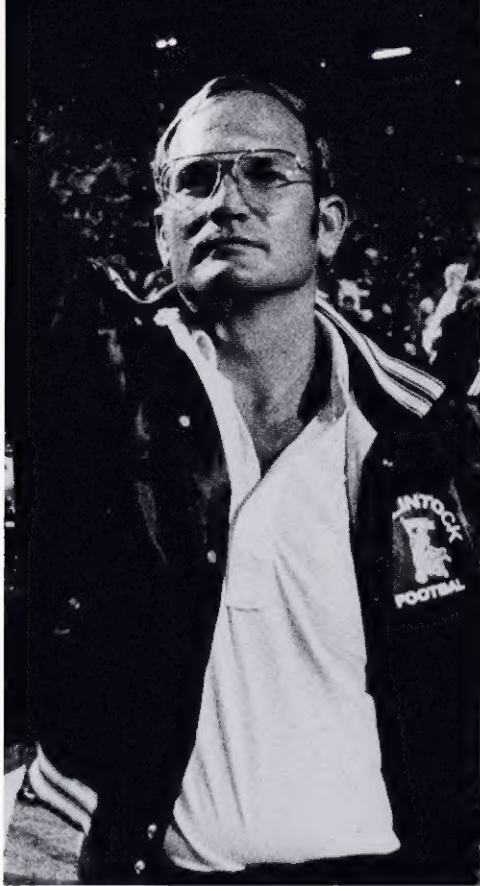
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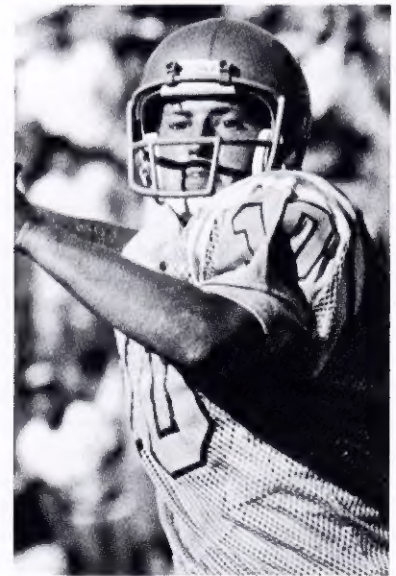
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Devils To Kick-Off Cooper Era

John Cooper, head football coach at the University of Tulsa, became Arizona State's 18th football mentor when Darryl Rogers resigned to become leader of the NFL Detroit Lions.

The most successful Cooper-coached Tulsa team was a 10-1 club in 1982, which was ranked as high as 16th in the nation. In 1983 Tulsa went 8-3, losing only to Arkansas, Oklahoma and Oklahoma State. The Hurricane swept through the Missouri Valley Conference unbeaten and won non-conference games with San Diego State, Northwest Louisiana State and Texas Tech.

After compiling a 3-8 record his first season, Cooper recorded the nation's best turnaround in 1978 with a 9-2 record. Cooper closed out his career with a 57-31-0 mark (.648), seven straight winning seasons and five consecutive MVC championships.

Most of his teams played without the blue-chip high school prospect, wooed away by the likes of Oklahoma and Oklahoma State, members of the Big-8 Conference. Yet Cooper-coached teams at Tulsa were competitive with almost everybody.

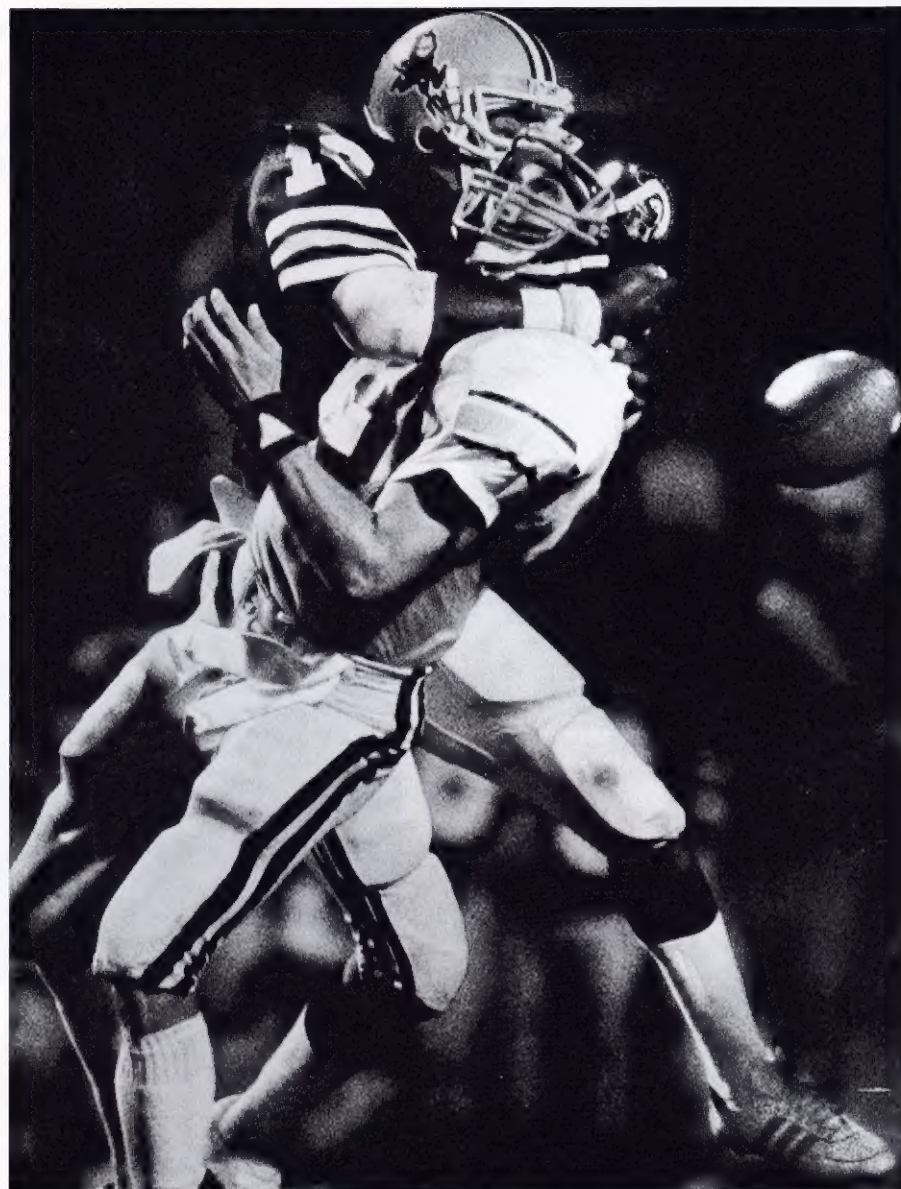
Pat Jones, whose Oklahoma State team crushed Arizona State 45-3 last fall, annual-

"We teach our defensive players just three things: tackle the man with the ball, get there the fastest way you can, and arrive in a bad mood."

ly played Cooper's Tulsa teams. "We beat them 31-7 this year, but in 1981 we had to kick a field goal at the gun to win, and then they beat us in 1982. We won two years ago 9-0. John runs a first-class program. His players are always fundamentally sound, well-conditioned. They play good defense."

"We teach our defensive players just three things," says Cooper, who inherits a Sun Devil team with a losing record (5-6). "Tackle the man with the ball, get there the fastest way you can, and arrive in a bad mood."

Former Arizona State head coach Frank Kush said he believes the Devils made a wise choice in hiring Cooper to succeed Rogers. "I don't know him personally," Kush told the *Phoenix Gazette*. "But the coaching grapevine is an unbelievable



(Tempe Daily News)

Sun Devil defender Vince Adams (18) separates USC quarterback Kevin McLean (18) from the ball in 1984 battle in Tempe. Trojans won the dog fight, 6-3.

thing, and everything I've heard about him has been good. I hear he's a disciplinarian, a good coach and a great recruiter."

But the high praise will end in September when the Sun Devils open the season at Michigan State, a Big-10 toughie these days. The Spartans beat Army 10-6 in the inaugural Cherry Bowl in Pontiac's Silverdome.

"We haven't made many changes on offense except for terminology," insists Cooper. "We're still going to throw the ball a lot, but probably place a little more emphasis on the running game."

In junior Jeff Van Raaphorst (6-2, 205), Cooper may have the best signal caller in the West. He passed for 2,062 yards and 17 touchdowns last fall in only seven games. But he threw 14 interceptions and that must be corrected. Sophomore John Walker (6-1,

190), a product of Marcos de Niza High School, saw considerable action but needs more game experience.

Senior Darryl Clack (5-10, 195) rushed for 1,052 yards and is within 1,200 yards of Woody Green's career rushing record. A member of ASU's 400-meter relay which ran 39.6 last spring, Clack is a game-breaker, as he proved at Stanford last season with an 84-yard scoring run and a 65-yard TD reception. Senior Mike Crawford (5-10, 195) is a prime backup, but sophomore Darryl Harris (5-11, 179) and redshirt freshman Darrell Rosette (5-9, 180) will be heard from. Junior college transfer Linden Keiffer (6-1, 218) has real potential. At fullback, senior Vince Amoia (6-0, 210) continues to blossom, as does soph Channing Williams (5-10, 215) and junior Darin Tupper (5-11, 215), a former all-stater at

Phoenix Trevor Browne.

The wide receiver corp is loaded. Senior walk-on Ron Simone (6-0, 190) earned a scholarship and may start. Converted CB Bruce Hill (6-0, 175) and junior Glenn Denard (5-10, 175) are chasing him. Sophomore Aaron Cox (5-10, 175) and junior Paul Day (5-10, 170) will share the flanker position.

At tight end the Devils are blessed with juniors Jeff Gallimore (6-3, 230) and Stein Koss (6-3, 220). Koss ranked No. 3 in catches last year with 23 in just eight games. He missed the last game against Arizona and Gallimore came on to catch nine of his 11 in one outing. Redshirt frosh Chris Garrett (6-4, 210) is also available.

A major concern for Cooper and his staff is the offensive line. The Devils need a lot of work in the off-season. Senior David Fonoti (6-4, 275) has the edge on soph Richard Bear (6-4, 250) at quick tackle, with junior Danny Villa (6-5, 280) holding the edge at strong tackle over Jim Warne (6-7, 275). Sophomore Randall McDaniel (6-4, 245) missed most of the spring with a hamstring pull, giving frosh Doug Larson (6-3, 255) and junior Tim Casey (6-3, 240) experience at quick guard. Strong guard has a three-way battle between soph Todd Kalis (6-6, 260), frosh Frank Kramer (6-3, 250) and junior Brian Lopker (6-3, 250).

Kevin Thomas (6-2, 250) has the nod over frosh Steve Spurling (6-2, 250) at center. It is interesting to note that almost every offensive lineman on the Sun Devil depth chart is a product of Arizona high schools.

The defensive line is another area where ASU needs dramatic improvement in strength. Junior Frank Rudolph (6-3, 240) and Jimmy Reynosa (6-4, 240) are contesting one end spot with junior Taleni Wright (6-4, 240) and frosh Saute Sapolu (6-2, 225) the other. Junior Dan Saluamau (6-1, 290) is a dandy at NG, with junior Larry McGlothen (6-1, 235) a capable backup. Junior Onosai Tu'ua (6-4, 250) was neck-and-neck with soph Shawn Patterson (6-5, 240) at the tackle slot. Saluamau posted 57 tackles last fall and earned Pac-10 honorable mention from the coaches. Nine of his tackles were for losses. Rudolph was next highest among Sun Devil linemen with 44 stops.

Junior Scott Stephen (6-2, 230) is the leader at outside linebacker. He led the team in sacks (10) and tied in tackles for losses (9). Sophomore Stacy Harvey (6-3, 225) and senior Mike Edwards (5-11, 210) will also contribute.

Nowhere are the Devils deeper than ILB. Senior Greg Battle (6-1, 215) gobbled up 94 ball carriers last term and is preparing for his fourth year as a starter. Sophomore Pat Taylor (6-2, 215) is another good one, along with senior John Knight (6-0, 210), JC transfer John McMaster (6-1, 205) and soph Greg Clark (6-0, 205), one of the few freshmen to letter in '84.

The secondary is anchored by All-America David Fulcher (6-3, 225), a junior with 100 or more tackles in successive years. His role as a strong safety will keep him busy and opposing ball carriers nervous. Junior Darrin Willis (5-11, 160) starts at free safety, with soph Vince Adams (6-1, 172) right on his heels. Lots of cornerbacks return, starting with soph Anthony Parker (5-10, 180) and Jeff Joseph (5-10, 170). Both started their college careers at TB and WR respectively, but were switched to the secondary and started eight games. Sophomore Eric Allen (5-10, 180) is the nickel back, starting six times. Soph Steve Johnson (5-11, 180) is a valuable commodity, playing both corner and FS. Classmate Danny Williams (5-9, 180) continues to improve.

The kicking game is still a mystery. Joe Sullivan, a punter from Mesa Community



College, averaged 41.3 yards per kick in 1983. He set a school record 41.2 career average. The Devils also signed Tony Rhynes (6-1, 190) out of El Dorado High in Las Vegas. He averaged 42.1 yards with a longest of 68 yards.

For the first time in Arizona State history, only one local prepster signed on with the Devils. Punter Mike Schuh (6-1, 190) from Mesa Mountain View averaged 43.0 yards as a junior, 40.0 as a senior. He also did the Toros' place kicking. Already on campus is punter Mark Millbranth, a junior college transfer who prepped at nearby Tempe McClintock, and place kicker Kent Bostrom, a freshman redshirt from Wheaton, IL.

DEVIL NEWCOMERS High School

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QB..Brett Johnson, 6-2, 185	El Modena (El Modena), CA
FB..Mulu Fuimaono, 6-1, 239	San Francisco (South), CA
OL..Eddie Grant, 6-3, 240	Norman (Norman), OK
OL..Todd Kiesbuy, 6-4, 246	Coeur d'Alene (Coeur d'Alene), ID
OL..Chris Randall, 6-4, 240	Colorado Springs (Mitchell), CO
OL..Fedel Underwood, 6-5, 270	Cliffwood (Matawan), NJ
WR..Chip Rish, 5-11, 170	Huntington Beach (Marina), CA
WR..J.J. Williams, 6-1, 195	Livermore (Livermore), CA
LB..Craig Caskey, 6-1, 220	Ft. Stockton (Ft. Stockton), TX
LB..Freddie Green, 6-3, 210	Lancaster (Antelope Valley), CA
LB..Mark Tingstad, 6-1, 200	Spanaway (Bethel), WA
DB..Antonio Williams, 6-3, 180	Hollywood (South Broward), FL
DB..Bernard Jones, 6-2, 190	Los Angeles (Crenshaw), CA
DB..Lawrence Moore, 6-2, 210	Bakersfield (Bakersfield), CA
DB..Ray Whittenburg, 5-10, 190	Los Angeles (Fremont), CA
P..Tony Rhynes, 6-1, 190	Las Vegas (El Dorado), NV
P..Mike Schuh, 6-1, 190	Mesa (Mountain View), AZ

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RB..Linden Keiffer, 6-1, 218	Fremont (Merritt JC), CA
OL..Marc Oliver, 6-3, 270	San Francisco (City College), CA
WR..Robert Lewis, 5-10, 170	Stockton (San Joaquin Delta), CA
LB..Jon McMaster, 6-2, 220	Norwalk (Cerritos), CA
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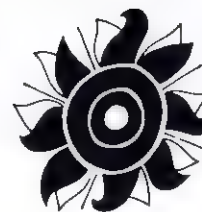
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One thing is a fact: during his tenure at Arizona State, between 1958 and the Washington game in 1979, no coach in Arizona history had a greater impact on the sport of football than Frank Kush.

His winning percentage (.764) was the second best in the nation. His teams played and beat teams from everywhere . . . from the old Border Conference, to the Big-10, Southwest Conference, Big-8 and Pac-10. His won-loss record in bowl games was almost perfect: 6 wins, 1 loss. From the 1970 Peach Bowl to the 1975 Fiesta Bowl game, Kush-coached teams were unbeaten in bowls.

So strong was the Sun Devil football program in 1979 (when he was relieved of his job for allegedly striking a player) that ASU finished 9-3 in their last year in the WAC, and 9-3 in their first year in the Pac-10. To this day, ASU has never played against a more talented team than the 1978 national championship USC Trojans.

(Tempe Daily News)



2. With quarterback Danny White during Fiesta Bowl II, an incredible 49-35 win over Missouri, the Devils gained more yards (718) than any team in bowl history. . .



1. With the snow and rain finally stopping, Kush accepts Peach Bowl hardware after 48-26 win over North Carolina in Atlanta in 1970. . .

(Larry McGrath photo)



3. With assistant Jerry Thompson after controversial pass interference call on safety Mike Martinez in Provo in 1974. Call aided Brigham Young's winning touchdown drive as Sun Devils lost 21-18. . .

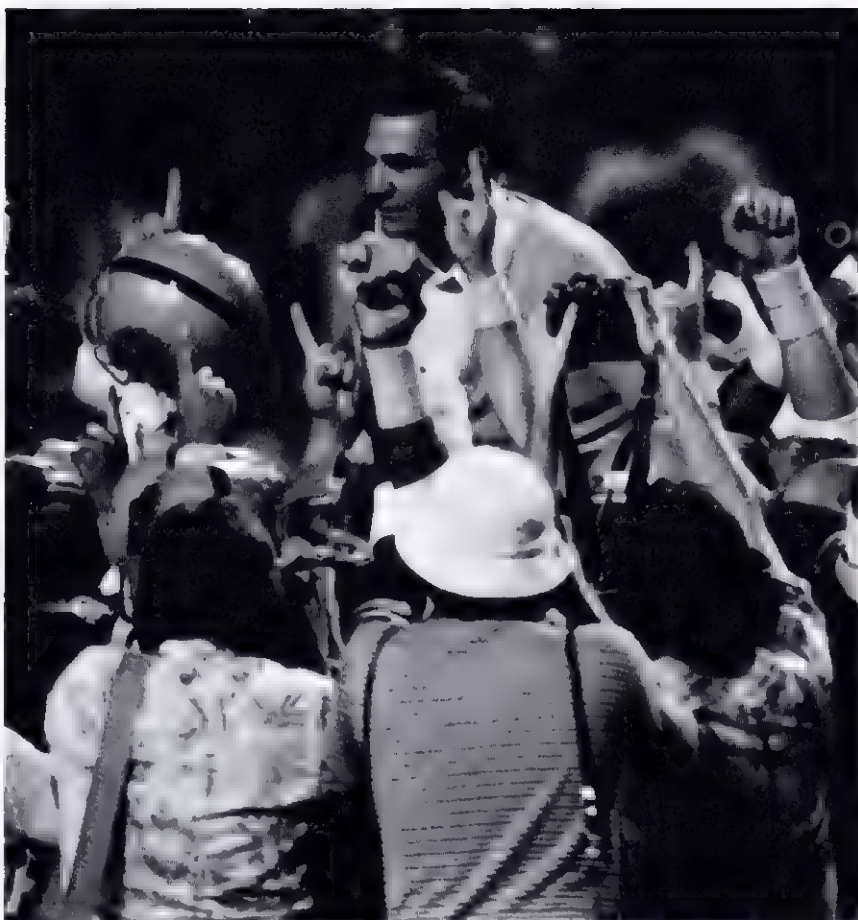
Southern Cal's only loss was a 20-7 setback in Sun Devil Stadium.

Last but not least was Kush's unpublicized success at landing the premier Arizona blue-chip prospects. Between 1958 and 1979, Kush's staff signed exactly 145 local high school products, annually winning the recruiting wars against rival Arizona for the state's "very best." Although more California youngsters became Devils than those from other states, the "nuts-and-bolts" of the Devils' football success during the Kush era was built around local names like Al Carr, George Flint, Curley Culp, Calvin Demory, Paul Ray Powell, Art and Benny Malone, Bob Breunig, John Mistler, Danny White, Mike Pagel, Ronnie Washington and the late Larry Gordon . . . naming just several from a list of hundreds.

These two pages show a short photo history of Kush's coaching career, from Tempe to Hamilton, from Baltimore to Indianapolis and back again . . .



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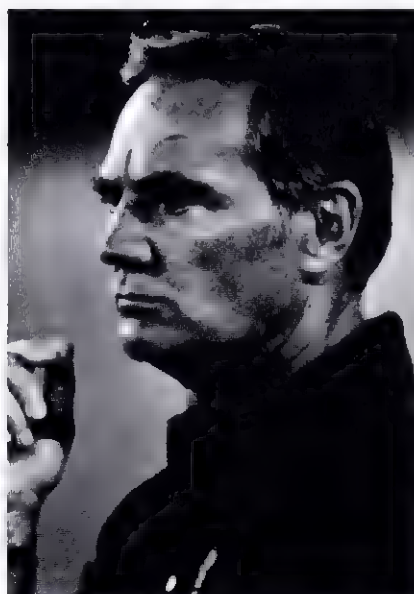


4. With Fiesta Bowl V trophy in 1975, his fifth consecutive bowl triumph, a 17-14 win over Nebraska. Devils finished No. 2 in both wire polls behind Oklahoma. . .

5. With the third largest crowd (70,912) in state history looking on, Kush gets his last victory ride following emotional 14-7 win over Washington, October 13, 1979. It was his last game as a Sun Devil. . .



6. With a new team in a new league in a new country, Kush watches from the sidelines as his Hamilton Tiger Cats defeat the Toronto Argonauts 23-16 in a 1981 CFL game in Canada. . .



7. With the Baltimore Colts in 1983, his second year in the NFL. Colts and Kush then moved to Indianapolis before the former Tempe resident joined the ranks of the USFL Arizona Outlaws.



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scholarships. In addition, the PPBA honors outstanding achievement in high school coaching, and sponsors the annual appearance of the Harlem Globetrotters and the Arizona Sports Award Dinner.

Kush and The Outlaws What an Education!



Indiana Jones had it easy compared to the Arizona Outlaws.

Consider the explorer and his many narrow escapes. Be it rolling boulders, sword-wielding warriors, neatly concealed booby traps, or a floor full of poisonous snakes, Professor Jones was always one step ahead of trouble.

Consider the Arizona Outlaws. Be it a franchise merger just prior to the start of the USFL's 1985 season, the melding of a pair of player rosters during a four-week training camp, more injuries than the M*A*S*H 4077th treated during thousands of TV reruns, or a season-long flirt with playoff elimination, the Phoenix-based unit was given as much chance of survival as a snowball down under.

Despite finishing with an 8-10 record that resulted in postseason elimination on the second to last weekend of the season, the Outlaws and their much-ballyhooed head coach, Frank Kush, claimed they survived the year with nary a scratch.

"In assessing our season, I think that it was a successful one on many fronts," noted Kush after a season-ending 38-28 loss

to the Memphis Showboats at the Liberty Bowl. "We hung in there and played with a lot of pride and intensity when the 'experts' had all but written us off."

Indiana Jones was in hot water five minutes into his two-hour screen adventure. According to the scriptwriters, the Outlaws were in trouble before the movie began.

Completing a 1984 season that resulted in the League's Western Conference crown, the Arizona Wranglers were a financial vegetable by the time preparations for the 1985 season got underway.

Enter Tatham & Tatham and the Oklahoma Outlaws.

In December of 1984, just two-and-a-half months before the team's scheduled 1985 kickoff, W.R. Tatham Sr. and son Bill Tatham Jr., effected a joint venture between the Wranglers and Outlaws that pumped fresh funds into the franchise, assuring the Valley's pro football fanatics of a third year of play in Tempe.

Kush, a controversial hero of sorts during 22 seasons as the field boss at Arizona State, was called upon to sort out the player roster and lead the hybrid team into his old haunts at Sun Devil Stadium and throughout the USFL.

"There were so many things that needed immediate attention when we came here and so many surprises around every corner," noted Tatham Jr., the Outlaws' president and general manager. "Being able to bring in Frank was something that really solidified us, both from a coaching standpoint and from the standpoint of visibility and involvement in the community."

Kush went to work at once, but must have felt a bit like a scientist without a light bulb. Not only was the USFL unfamiliar territory, the roster of the Arizona Outlaws was new reading.

"We stressed fundamentals and execution throughout the training camp and into the season," reports Kush, who got his squad off to a pleasing 4-2 start. "We were feeling our way through a lot of the schedule, getting to know one another and learning at the same time. Again, I was pleased with the way things came together in the end."

Following the team's early-season success, a string of six straight losses all but stopped what progress had been made. Injuries cropped up, sidelining two-time USFL "Lineman-of-the-Year" Kit Lathrop for the remainder of the season. Quarterback Doug Williams was sidelined for a pair of games because of ailing knees. The

defensive secondary closely resembled a hospital ward. The offensive line was a patchwork quilt of crutches, braces and bandages.

Through it all, and to the credit of Kush, his coaching staff and players, the team never quit. Just when the death knell was about to sound the Outlaws found their stride. The brakes were applied to the loss skid on May 19 in Portland with a 31-21 win over the Breakers. It was the first of four wins the Outlaws would fashion over the final six weeks of the schedule.

And, before it was over, the team found itself clinging to playoff aspirations. After beating the visiting San Antonio Gunslingers, 13-3 on June 1, the Outlaws braced for a June 8 encounter with the League's hottest side, the Western Conference leading Oakland Invaders. "No way," said the critics. Final score: Arizona 28, Oakland 21.

But, despite beating the Los Angeles Express the following week in California, 21-10, the Outlaws were eliminated from the playoff picture in the 17th week of the 18-week schedule.

"What makes professional football fun is playing hard and playing with pride," said QB Williams at the end of the season. "That's how we handled it when everyone said we were through. We never gave up. We grew together and got to know each other's strengths. We capitalized on that at the end of the season."

The learning process showed dividends near season's end for Kush and his Outlaws. Runningback Reggie Brown, an unknown entity at the start of the season, broke loose and rushed for over 1,000 yards and counted 14 touchdowns. Wide receiver Al Williams registered a second straight season with better than 1,000-yards receiving. QB Williams rewrote the club's record book.

"I feel a lot more comfortable now than at the start of the season," says Kush, who is already huddled with his staff, evaluating future talent for the Outlaws. "This is an exciting league with a lot of quality players. I'm very excited about the 1986 season because we have the time to properly prepare for it. There won't be any guess work involved. We all know how far we came in a short period of time. Maybe the most important thing is that we now know where we're headed."

Where the Outlaws are headed is to a fall schedule in 1986. They'll be headed there under the direction of the same ownership and the same head coach, a luxury the franchise has not been afforded in three previous campaigns in the young league. Time will tell if the team makes all the right moves.

Indiana Jones did and lived to make another movie.

James Reed

(Joe Higuera/Sports Images)



The midseason loss of DT Kit Lathrop to injury crippled the unit.

It was like a Hollywood script for Phoenix College. Last fall the Bears saluted their 1964 national championship team, perhaps the best and most talented Arizona Community College squad ever. To add icing to the cake, they blitzed Scottsdale CC 42-22 in November to win their third consecutive ACCAC championship, and a second straight bowl berth.

The puzzle started to fall into place in October, when Ken Stites forces held off a Glendale rally and shocked the 13th-ranked Gauchos 17-14 in Glendale. After defeating Scottsdale in the season-ending contest in Phoenix, the Bears stunned highly-favored Ricks College of Idaho 17-16 in the fourth Valley of the Sun Bowl on November 23, finishing 9-1.

The Phoenix Press Box Association later honored Larry Smith of the University of Arizona as the state's Coach of the Year. Smith posted a 7-4 won-loss record and beat rival Arizona State for the third consecutive year.

Ken Stites should have won it.

Counting a 1978 crown, Phoenix has won or shared four state titles in the past seven years. They finished fourth nationally in the final NJCAA poll, the highest ranked Arizona school since 1975. The win over Ricks was the first bowl victory by an Arizona junior college since 1976. They tied

(David Petkiewicz/Mesa Tribune)



Mesa CC halfback Mike Tryals has the ball stripped loose by Grossmont defender Sean Jackson (34) during first quarter action last fall.

It Was a Hollywood Script For Phoenix College

New Mexico Military in the 1978 Wool Bowl, 19-19.

All this during a time in which the surrounding Phoenix Union School System is closing high schools right-and-left. Since that 1978 tie with NMMI in Roswell, Stites and his staff have watched four local high schools (Phoenix Union, North, East and West) close. That's one-third of their hunting grounds, although North has since reopened.

But it hasn't slowed down the Bears. One dozen holdovers who saw lots of action are back, including runningbacks Carlton Campbell (5-7, 155) out of St. Mary's, Tracey Pierce (6-0, 205), a former state high hurdle champ from Alhambra, and Kenny Rock (5-11, 215) from North Allegheny, PA.

The line has three blue-chippers in DT Mike Crouch (6-1, 235), TE Scott Claypoole (6-4, 250) and DT Terry Heard (6-4, 255) from South Mountain. Phoenix may have the best linebacker corp in the region with E.J. Armstrong (6-4, 200) out of Trevor Browne, Jim Strong (6-2, 220) from

Glendale, and Phoenix Central product Eric Welch (6-1, 220).

Brent Tunnell (6-3, 190) from Sunnyslope is an outstanding DB, and South Mountain's Roy Hurd (6-2, 195) a blue-chip receiver. Against Scottsdale last year, Hurd burned two backs on scoring passes of 89 and 81 yards in the second quarter.

But the local competition is tough and Mesa, Scottsdale and Glendale are lined up to take away the crown. Mesa was back on track, finishing 6-3-0 and returning 20 letter winners. Coach Allen Benedict has four super stars in QB Audie McKee (6-0, 175), RB Marvin Goudeau (6-0, 200), OL Pat Earnest (6-4, 255) and OL Randy Meyer (6-5, 265). Goudeau and WR John Ford (5-10, 160) are the fastest Thunderbirds in camp with 4.5 speed.

Other top prospects include OL Curt McGlasson (5-11, 245), OL Andy Chaff (6-3, 245), DL Ken Marshall (6-1, 255), DB Vince Martinez (6-0, 215) and PK Jim Vanehey (5-10, 165). Benedict's staff thinks they have landed several top-notch local products, including McClintock's Jeff Knoll

and Greg McEowen, Eloy's Vince Byrd, Westwood's Chad White, and the pitch-and-catch combo from Coolidge, Vince Masters and Vince Smith.

Dave Haight takes over at Scottsdale, where the Artichokes went 5-4 and return 14 lettermen. Scouts from major colleges will be watching at least seven sophomores, including DT Bobby Edwards (6-2, 255), QB Dennis Bene (5-10, 175) OT John Norling (6-3, 250), FS Sean Washington (5-11, 185), LB Scott McGinn (6-0, 225), LB Nick Piazza (6-1, 225) and WR Jeff Baker (6-0, 180).

Chuck Zontanos, 35-19-4 at Glendale in six years, stepped down after a near-perfect 7-1-1 campaign and will be replaced by Fred Haeger. Speed will be the name of the game this year at GCC. Six top-flight Gauchos are LB Terry Rowe (6-0, 210), RB Cloyce Lamb (6-0, 210), RB Aron Thomas (5-10, 190) and CB Darren Bookman (6-0, 195). Believe it or not, all four run 40 yards in 4.55 seconds. Scott Gesicki (6-1, 245) and Dave Reid (6-4, 255) are strong, quick linemen.



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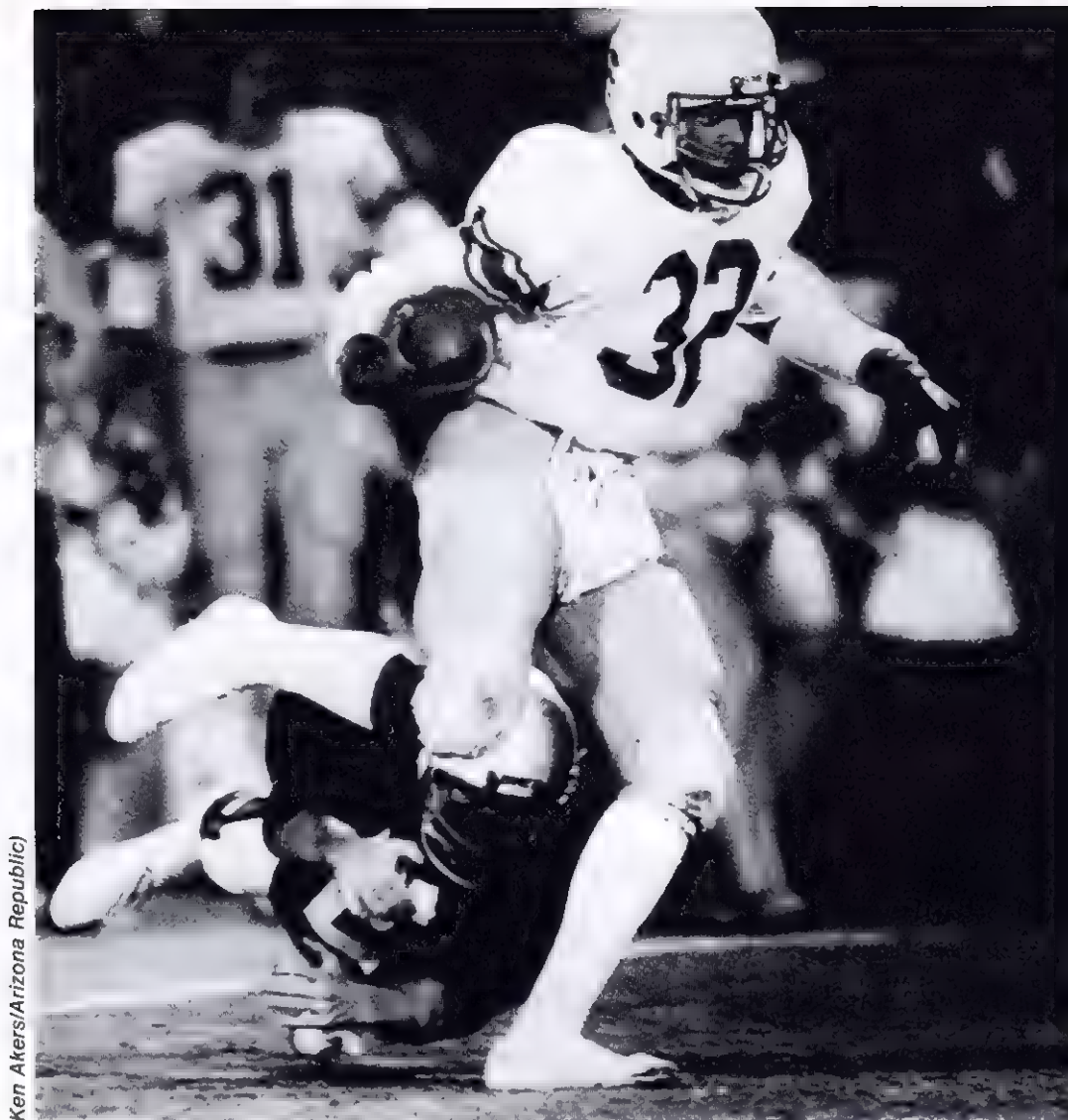
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St. Mary's Derryl Harris scores the Knights' first TD against Tucson Sahuaro.

It Was a Knight To Remember

Steve Belles was all smiles on December 7, 1984. He wasn't alone. It was another historic night for St. Mary's proud football tradition. Their offense came alive in the second half and helped bury Tucson Sahuaro, 31-14, at Arizona Stadium in Tucson, winning their first Class AAA state championship since 1968.

Belles, the Knights' all-state QB, didn't have one of his better nights, completing seven of 15 passes for 88 yards, but his teammates on defense picked off five Sahuaro passes, returning one for a score.

St. Mary's, which has won six Class AAA football championships, scored from everywhere on the field. Derryl Harris dashed 57 yards for a touchdown, Mike Cortright kicked a 33-yard field goal, Rohber Brafford returned a pass interception 40 yards for a TD, and Reggie McGill caught two scoring strikes from Belles.

An announced crowd of 12,500 watched the Knights finish 12-2 on the season, while Sahuaro, the second seed from the AAA South, ended 9-5. St. Mary's lost their opener in September to top-ranked McClintock, but beat the Chargers in a rematch in the semifinals the week before.

On the season, Belles passed for a school-record 2,233 yards, Cortright kicked a record 11 field goals and 45 PATS, and the Knights' secondary picked off a record 28 enemy passes. "We won it on defense, no doubt about it," said Coach Pat Farrell, who was a defensive back for St. Mary's when they won the 1968 state crown. "The kids weren't really sharp on offense, but they did the job when they had to on defense."

Flagstaff nipped Peoria 7-0 to win their fourth consecutive Class AA crown on a 47-yard flea-flicker in the second quarter.

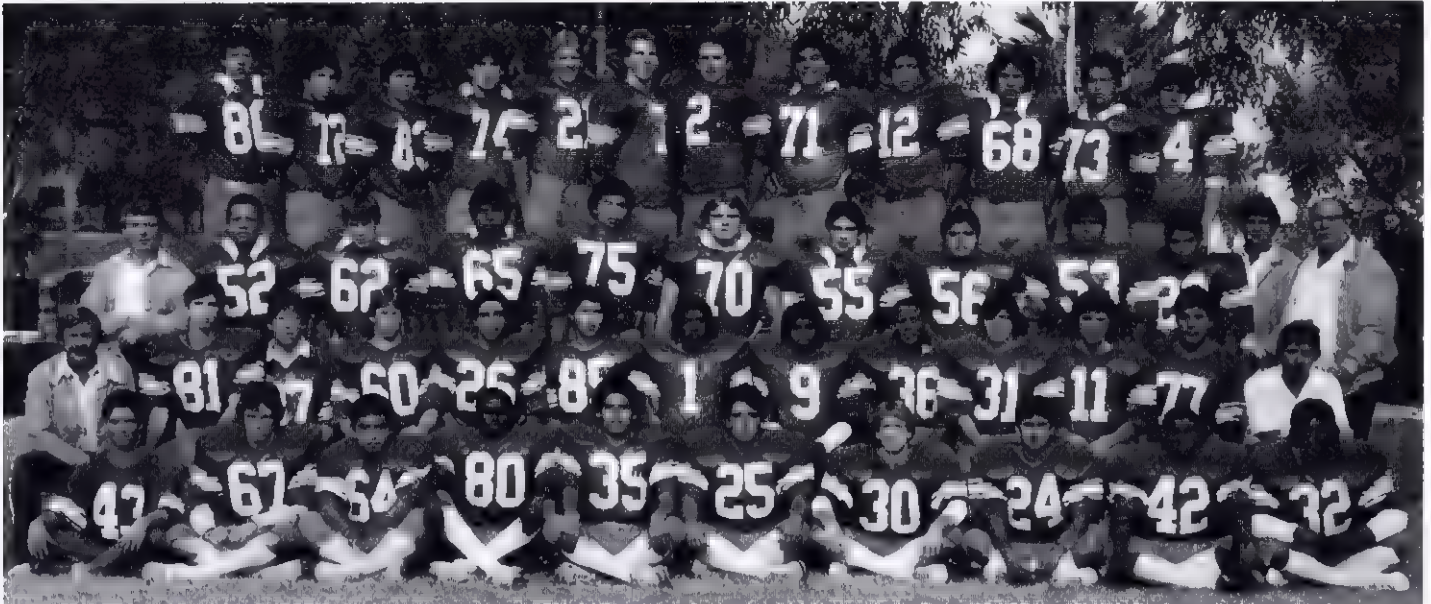
Junior halfback David Winsley, the state's leading rusher with 2,183 yards, gained 108 yards on 22 carries against the Panthers. In 1985 Flagstaff (9-2-1), like runnerup Peoria (8-4), moves into the Class AAA ranks.

Coolidge outscored Round Valley 28-20 for a successful defense of the Bears' Class A state football championship, while Phoenix Christian won its first state title since 1959 with a 25-7 thumping of Morenci. In that game place-kicker Phil Insalaco had a banner night, hitting field goals in the second half from 24, 35, 37 and 29 yards.

One final note on Phoenix metropolitan teams. Last fall, during the 10-game regular season, place-kickers from the Valley booted 115 field goals. On September 28, the fourth week of the prep season, 17 field goals were kicked. During the 1964 high school campaign in Phoenix, only 17 field goals were booted during the entire season.

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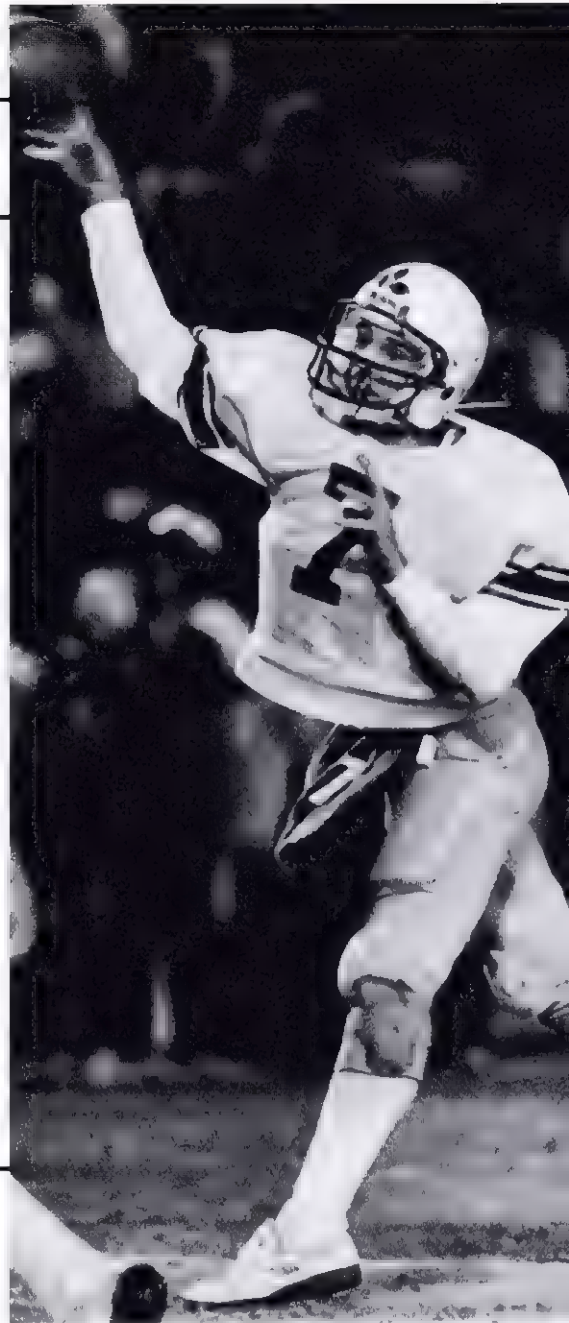
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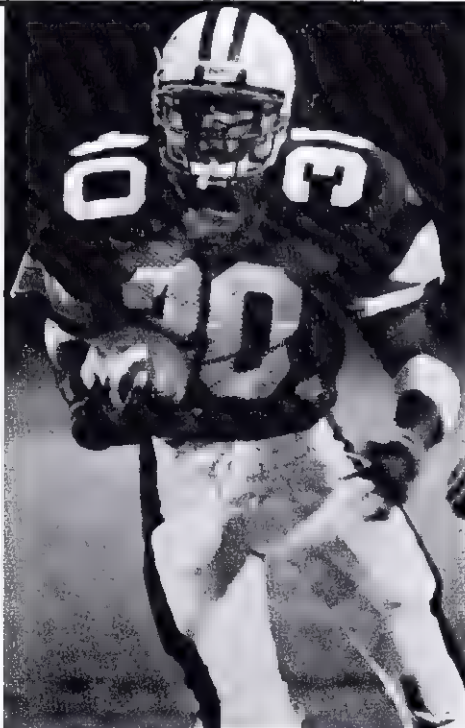
GREATER PHOENIX LIST:

Player/High School	College Choice
QB..Steve Belles, St. Mary's, 6-3, 190	Notre Dame
QB..Chuck Levinus, Cactus, 6-3, 190	West Virginia
QB..Greg Wyatt, Moon Valley, 6-3, 185	NAU
RB..Ross Puritty, Carl Hayden, 6-3, 195	Texas El Paso
RB..Steve Rosholt, Arcadia, 6-0, 195	San Diego State
OG..Brian Gile, Gilbert, 6-3, 255	Eastern New Mexico
OG..Kurt Minko, Thunderbird, 6-2, 225	Texas El Paso
OG..Ken Hakes, Arcadia, 6-4, 220	Arizona
OT..Warren Wheat, Camelback, 6-5, 250	Brigham Young
OT..Nat Rogers, Deer Valley, 6-5, 290	New Mexico State
OT..Vince Beemiller, Saguardo, 6-5, 270	NAU
OT..Jim Warner, Westwood, 6-5, 270	Arizona
OT..Steve Barnes, Tolleson, 6-2, 205	Texas El Paso
WR..Rich Groppenbacher, McClintock, 6-0, 175	Arizona
TE..Todd Young, Marcos de Niza, 6-6, 220	Penn State
TE..Brian Zimmerman, Gilbert, 6-4, 200	Brigham Young
TE..Marvin Hil, Chandler, 6-3, 220	Texas El Paso
WR..Bryan Snyder, Sunnyslope, 6-3, 180	Phoenix College
DE..Tony Battiest, South Mountain, 6-4, 240	NAU
DL..Derek Zazueta, St. Mary's, 6-3, 225	NAU
LB..Jack McDade, Camelback, 6-4, 220	Southern Cal
DB..John Fields, Mesa, 6-1, 170	Brigham Young
DB..Rohber Brafford, St. Mary's, 6-0, 185	NAU
DB..Sandy Sledge, South Mountain, 6-0, 170	NAU
K..Mike Schuh, Mountain View, 6-0, 160	Arizona State



St. Mary's QB Steve Belles/Notre Dame.

(Phoenix Gazette)



Mesa halfback John Fields/Brigham Young.

STATE LIST:

Player/High School	College Choice
QB..Ron Rosier, Page, 6-3, 190	Air Force Academy
RB..Charles Matthews, Eloy Santa Cruz, 6-0, 190	NAU
RB..David Eldridge, Tucson Pueblo, 6-1, 195	Arizona
RB..Tim Hutton, Tucson Rincon, 5-9, 180	NAU
WR..Bernie Wharton, Tucson Amphi, 5-11, 165	Virginia Union
OL..Phil Gabbard, Tucson Santa Rita, 6-3, 220	Texas El Paso
OL..David Gasho, Tucson Amphi, 6-4, 230	Army
OC..Buck Roggeman, Tucson Salpointe, 6-3, 225	Stanford
LB..Craig Davis, Canyon del Oro, 6-3, 210	UCLA
LB..Ronnie Pearce, Tucson Sahuaro, 6-3, 235	Colorado State
LB..Art Martinez, Tucson Salpointe, 6-1, 220	New Mexico State
LB..Brian Liebrock, Canyon del Oro, 6-2, 210	NAU
DL..Russell DeVries, Canyon del Oro, 6-2, 220	Texas El Paso
DL..Vincent Byrd, Eloy Santa Cruz, 6-3, 220	Mesa CC
DB..Verlin Miller, Bullhead City, 6-3, 185	Colorado State



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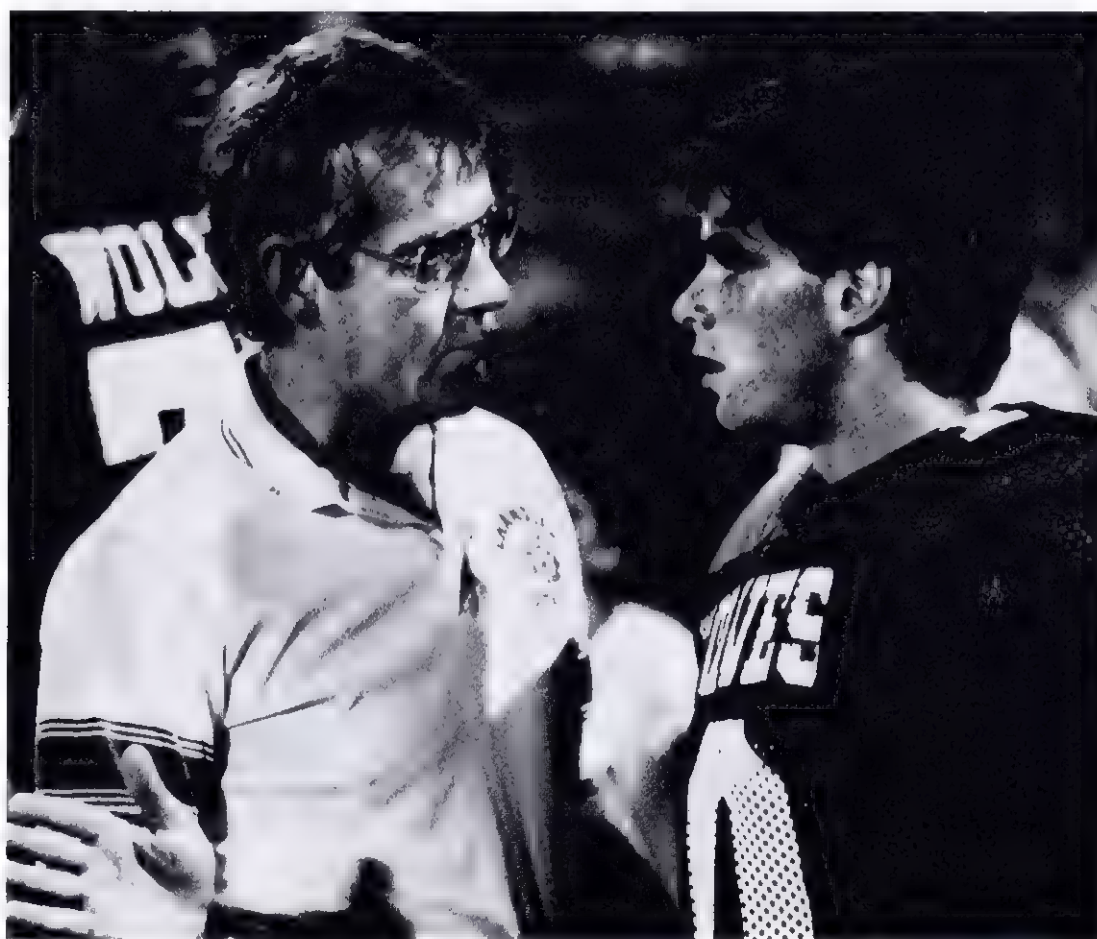
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 QB..Daryll Hillman, Marcos de Niza, 6-1, 180
 RB..Art Greathouse, McClintock, 5-11, 195
 RB..Rodney Bonner, Westwood, 6-0, 190
 RB..Van Aldridge, Trevor Browne, 5-11, 170
 RB..Geno Chisolm, Agua Fria, 6-0, 170
 OG..Preston Lambert, Maryvale, 6-3, 250
 OT..Scott Hicks, Sunnyslope, 6-4, 250
 OT..Wales Hunkin, Paradise Valley, 6-3, 235
 OT..Brent Dunn, Marcos de Niza, 6-3, 230
 OC..Drew Metcalf, Corona del Sol, 6-2, 225
 WR..Kevin Holloway, Deer Valley, 5-11, 175
 WR..Cleveland Colter, Jr., McClintock, 6-2, 190
 TE..Jack Quinn, Independence, 6-4, 230
 DL..David Root, Chandler, 6-2, 210
 DE..Howie Powers, Cactus, 6-3, 190
 LB..Aaron LaDuke, Alhambra, 6-0, 200
 LB..Jeff Johnson, Camelback, 6-4, 210
 DB..Elgin Caldwell, Tempe, 6-0, 160
 DB..Cornell Green, Alhambra, 5-9, 165
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Paul Beltler, Greenway, 6-2, 185 (jr)
Craig Doolittle, Washington, 6-0, 190
David Taylor, Deer Valley, 6-0, 180
Joe Carter, Paradise Valley, 6-2, 185 (jr)
Anthony Farinari, Independence, 6-0, 180



runningbacks

Garrett Glenn, Saguaro, 5-11, 190
Jeff Jones, Saguaro, 5-10, 185
Kevin Holloway, Deer Valley, 5-11, 175
Art Greathouse, McClintock, 5-11, 195
Joe Gatti, Independence, 6-0, 210
Marlo Cobos, Peoria, 5-10, 165
Ed Rehm, Phoenix Christian, 5-11, 165
Robert Meza, Glendale, 5-8, 155 (jr)
Rodney Bonner, Westwood, 6-0, 190
Doug Lewis, Westwood, 6-0, 185
Nathan Killen, W. Christian, 5-10, 195 (jr)
Mike Rose, Tempe, 6-1, 180
Lon McRae, Buckeye, 5-10, 175
Tom Collins, Apollo, 5-10, 175
David Schwartz, Cortez, 6-0, 180
Butch Newlin, Cactus, 5-9, 175
Reggie McGill, St. Mary's, 5-9, 175 (jr)
Derryl Harris, St. Mary's, 5-9, 160 (jr)
Roger Gibson, S. Christian, 5-10, 155 (jr)
Ed Fylling, Gerard, 6-0, 190
Van Aldridge, Trevor Browne, 5-11, 170
Jim Barnett, Trevor Browne, 5-10, 168
Geno Chisolm, Agua Fria, 6-0, 170
David Apodaca, Casa Grande, 5-11, 170
Steve Villa, Carl Hayden, 6-1, 175
Tony Steffes, Apache Junction, 5-9, 150
Darnell Robinson, Tolleson, 5-10, 160



centers

Drew Metcalf, Corona del Sol, 6-2, 225
Todd Bogers, Chaparral, 6-0, 195

Dennis McCabe, Apollo, 6-1, 210 (jr)
Jeff Cowan, Deer Valley, 5-11, 205
Tom Merriam, McClintock, 6-4, 210
David Henderson, Alhambra, 6-2, 225
Eric Van Hook, Dobson, 6-3, 210
Scot Boatwright, Saguaro, 6-2, 240 (jr)
Jerry Trotter, Apache Junction, 6-0, 180



linemen

Mike Sanfratello, Coronado, 6-4, 195
Brian Miller, Saguaro, 6-0, 180
John Wilmoski, Brophy Prep, 6-3, 220
Jeff Kunes, Sunnyslope, 6-1, 220
Preston Lambert, Maryvale, 6-3, 250
Dall Dankworth, Maryvale, 6-0, 200
Dade Dankworth, Maryvale, 6-0, 200
Ed Valenzuela, Independence, 6-1, 220
Steve Dougherty, Marcos de Niza, 6-3, 230
Brent Dunn, Marcos de Niza, 6-3, 230
Jeff Regnell, Gilbert, 6-0, 190
Gary Marak, Greenway, 6-3, 210
Andy Patt, Shadow Mountain, 6-4, 295
Dan Allen, Shadow Mountain, 5-8, 180
Kirk Musgrave, Buckeye, 6-1, 210
Gary Pay, Apollo, 6-5, 230
David Root, Chandler, 6-2, 210
Howie Powers, Cactus, 6-3, 190
Todd Faulkner, McClintock, 6-0, 200
Rick Dwyer, Arcadia, 5-11, 190
Jeff Dana, Arcadia, 6-3, 250
Paul Schlink, Thunderbird, 6-2, 230
Kerry McDaniel, Agua Fria, 6-3, 205
Lee Barton, Mesa, 6-3, 220



defensive backs

Cornell Green, Alhambra, 5-9, 165
Frank Lomeli, Tolleson, 6-3, 170
Scott Popovich, Saguaro, 5-9, 150
Remy Carrasco, Gilbert, 6-1, 170
Greg Haynes, Marcos de Niza, 6-0, 165
Norm Larson, Phoenix Christian, 5-10, 155
Mike Thomas, Corona del Sol, 5-10, 175
Elgin Caldwell, Tempe, 6-0, 160
Freddie Combs, Corona del Sol, 5-10, 160
Bobby Ellis, Dysart, 5-10, 150
Peter Partain, Chandler, 6-3, 200
Craig Stout, Cortez, 6-0, 165
Chris Baniszewski, McClintock, 5-11, 160
Mark Carr, Central, 5-11, 150
Andre Viverette, Maryvale, 5-10, 160
Kevin Kluge, Moon Valley, 5-10, 160



linebackers

Mark Anderson, Dobson, 6-1, 200
Steve Caruso, Brophy Prep, 6-2, 200
Bob Davis, Mountain View, 6-1, 190
Guy Carr, Chandler, 5-11, 180
Cory Holmes, Chaparral, 5-11, 190
Aaron LeDuke, Alhambra, 6-0, 200
Wade Jackson, McClintock, 6-0, 200
Bryan Chesley, Sunnyslope, 6-1, 205
Chris Gummel, Seton Catholic, 6-1, 185
Doug Atkin, Greenway, 5-11, 190
Paul Cole, Cactus, 6-2, 190
Dave Shugart, Saguaro, 5-11, 200
Jeff Johnson, Camelback, 6-4, 210



receivers

Cleveland Colter, Jr., McClintock, 6-2, 190
Jack Quinn, Independence, 6-4, 230
Brad Keilen, Corona del Sol, 6-1, 200 (jr)
Tom Johnson, Greenway, 6-4, 210 (jr)
Sidney Brice, Washington, 6-2, 170
Jim Hanawalt, Alhambra, 6-4, 215
Keith Blue, Scottsdale Christian, 5-11, 165
Jon Mann, Agua Fria, 6-3, 210
Chris Gummel, Seton Catholic, 6-1, 180
Ed Bardwell, South Mountain, 6-0, 180



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Joe Wintergalen, Arcadia, 6-1, 200
Judge Johnston, Saguaro, 6-1, 175
Jim Dean, Scottsdale Christian, 5-7, 165
Wade Corson, Peoria, 6-0, 170
Mike Cortright, St. Mary's, 6-0, 175
Rob Nighswonger, W. Christian, 5-11, 180
Criag Babinski, Shadow Mountain, 5-9, 160
Bill Hintze, Thunderbird, 6-2, 215
Scott Reutter, Moon Valley, 5-11, 165 (jr)
Quin Rodriguez, Dobson, 6-0, 140

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Andy Livingston,
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Danny White,
Westwood



David Mitchell,
St. Mary's



John Walker,
Marcos de Niza

1984..Steve Belles, St. Mary's QB
1983..John Walker, Marcos de Niza, QB
1982..Glenn Rogers, Agua Fria, RB
1981..Frank Rudolph, Coronado, DE
1980..Jimmy Williams, Tempe, LB
1979..Todd Shell, Mountain View, LB
1978..Rory Barnett, Trevor Browne, RB (jr)
1977..Mike Pagel, Washington, QB
1976..Greg Brady, Coronado, QB
1975..Brian Felix, Phoenix Union, RB/DB
1974..David Mitchell, St. Mary's, RB (jr)
1973..Rob Wilson, Coronado, QB/DB
1972..Keith Sobraske, Coronado, DT
1971..Fred Mortensen, Tempe, QB
1970..Bill Crowe, McClintock, LB
1969..Danny White, Westwood, QB
1968..Bill Mannion, St. Mary's, QB
1967..Tim Smith, St. Mary's, FB
1966..Bob Soza, Westwood, RB
1965..Bill Dunning, Mesa, RB
1964..Richard Griffen, Westwood, T
1963..Earliest Nelson, South Mountain, RB
1962..Everett Rollins, Arcadia, RB
1961..Andy Livingston, Mesa, RB

1960..Ted Lawrence, South Mountain, G
1959..Bob Olson, South Mountain, FB
1958..Lewis Albright, Scottsdale, RB
1957..Eddie Wilson, Chandler, QB
1956..Warren Livingston, Mesa, RB
1955..George Greathouse, Phoenix Union, RB
1954..George Greathouse, Phoenix Union, RB (jr)
1953..Kenny Aycock, North, RB
1952..Jack Stovall, St. Mary's, E
1951..Bob Black, Phoenix, Union, E
1950..Don Beasley, Mesa, FB
1949..Danny Seivert, St. Mary's, RB
1948..Gene Brown, Phoenix Union, FB
1947..Dan Russell, Mesa, QB
1946..Whizzer White, Mesa, RB
1945..Whizzer White, Mesa, RB (jr)
1944..Bill Yeoman, Glendale, C
1943..Bill Yeoman, Glendale, C (jr)
1942..Jim Nafziger, North, FB/LB
1941..Auldrick Imboden, Mesa, E
1940..Pat Higgins, St. Mary's, RB
1939..Loren La Prade, Phoenix Union, T
1938..Horace Griffen, Jr., Mesa, QB
1937..Norris Enloe, Mesa, E

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Charger QB Kent Kiefer sneaks in for six points against MDN.

McClintock's Chargers Face Early No. 1 Test

This group of Chargers is getting closer. Two years ago, with 22 underclassmen on the roster, McClintock finished an 11-3 campaign by falling to Mountain View in the AAA title game. Last fall, with 15 juniors in the lineup, Karl Kiefer's legions marched through a 12-1 campaign and fell to St. Mary's in the semifinals.

The Chargers entire backfield, plus flanker Cleveland Colter, Jr., are back. That's good news for McClintock fans and bad news for the rest of the league. Kiefer has won 170 games in 20 years at the school, but on paper this might be his best team. In fact, this edition of McClintock football might be the most talented Tempe school since Marcos de Niza sent five blue-chippers into the college ranks in 1973-74.

If a championship team needs a championship-caliber QB, Kiefer has one in son Kent, who passed for 2,170 yards as a sophomore. Last fall the younger Kiefer missed three games with a shoulder injury, but still managed to hit on 111 of 177 passes for 1,637 yards and 14 scores. He threw on-

ly four pass interceptions. And with 4.7 forty speed he's one of the quickest Chargers in camp.

The quickest (4.5) is Art Greathouse, at 5-11, 195 the Class AAA leading scorer as a junior with 20 touchdowns and 120 points. The latest in a long list of Greathouses, Art gained 1,208 yards on 191 carries in just 10



games. Like Kiefer, he missed three games with an injury, but came back to score 17 times from scrimmage, catch two TD passes and return a kickoff 93 yards for six points. Against Chandler he scored six touchdowns.

Because of injuries to Kiefer and Greathouse, WR Cleveland Colter, Jr. got to carry the ball more than expected. The 6-2, 190-pound flanker gained 678 yards on

48 carries and scored eight touchdowns. He caught 30 passes for 516 yards and four more scores, including an 86 yard reception against Chandler.

Fullback Wade Jackson (6-0, 200), who doubles at LB, is also back and like Colter runs 40 yards in 4.6 seconds. So does SE Chris Baniszewski (5-11, 160), a sticky-fingered receiver who starts in the secondary.

But the key positions which separate good teams from great belong to the interior linemen, and this McClintock club has four to build on: C/DT Tom Merriam (6-4, 210), G/LB Todd Faulkner (6-0, 200), TE/LB Darren Case (6-2, 200, and OT/DT Gerardo Flores (6-1, 230).

Additional underclassmen from last year's near-perfect 12-1 club include DB Kevin Hunter (6-0, 160), DT Sean Stephens (6-0, 190), OG Randy Rudolph (5-10, 160), OT Mike Gallagher (6-2, 205), WR Todd McMenimen (5-10, 150), and TE Steve Fireny (6-0, 177), to name a few. The Chargers open the season on the road against always-tough Trevor Browne.

Chandler



The Wolves seem to go one step farther each year. Last season Delvin Schutes' club lost 14-13 to Tucson Sahuaro in the AAA semifinals, finishing 9-4 on the season. In the playoffs, Chandler knocked out Tempe 23-20 and Cactus 34-15 before the Sahuaro game.

Seven Wolves stand tall at preseason: DL David Root (6-2, 210), LB Guy Carr (5-11, 180), WR Manny Palomarez (5-11, 170), DB Leo Groulx (5-11, 180), OC Kelly McCulley (5-10, 180), SE Peter Partain (6-3, 200), son of the head basketball coach, and QB Deke Schutes (5-9, 170), son of the head football coach.

Since Chandler runs the wishbone, the key player here may be Schutes, who played the position since his sophomore year. Other prospects include linemen Mike Menapace (6-0, 200), Aaron Gonzales (5-10, 200), Luke Van Santen (6-0, 200), Joey Deatherage (5-10, 210), Richard Gonzales (5-11, 180), and Steve Richardson (6-4, 220). Halfback D.C. Coleman rushed for 1,200 yards on the JV team which lost only twice.

"We must completely rebuild our offense and defense," insists Schutes, 26-19 at Chandler. "We return only nine of 40

players, five who were full-time starters. But our program has developed to the point where our young players work hard in the off-season to prepare themselves for success during the regular season."

Mountain View



Mountain View has played football for nine years. The Toros have never lost more than three games in a single season and one of those times was last year. Coach Jesse Parker's club finished 7-3 in 1984 and missed the playoffs for the second time in AAA competition. "It was disappointing to say the least," says Parker, 85-14-1 at Mountain View. "We lost key games because of mental mistakes. But we will be better this year. Especially defensively."

The best Toro, and there could be a lot of good ones this year, should be LB/TE Bob Davis (6-1, 190), a starter last fall and a possible major college prospect. Other possible starters include HB Chris Phillips (5-9, 150), DL Kevin Nicoll (6-4, 190), DL Steve Trussell (6-1, 185), OL Bob Cunningham (6-0, 210), RB Chris Ballard (5-8, 150), WR Paul Walheim (6-4, 180), OG/LB Ed Samaniego (5-8, 175), DL John Kessler (6-0, 180), OC Mark Lance (6-2, 185), SE/DB Jason Shuckhart (5-9, 170), WB/DB Dan Duffy (5-10, 175), DB Adam Edmund (5-8, 160), and OG Butch Dorian (6-0, 180). One promising junior to watch is Bill Faysak, a 6-2, 190-pound linebacker who also plays tight end.

Marcos de Niza



McClintock isn't the only talented school in Tempe this fall. Rival Marcos de Niza is loaded also. Coach Frank Castro, 25-26-2 with the Padres, returns 12 lettermen from last year's 7-4 playoff club which lost twice to McClintock. "We will be an excellent team," warns Castro, who coached for six years at Class B Bagdad before moving to Tempe in 1980. "We'll be experienced both offensively and defensively."

Quarterback Daryll Hillman (6-1, 180), a point guard on the basketball team, plays in the secondary and runs 40 yards in 4.6 seconds. His best outing last fall: 32 attempts, 19 completions, 321 yards and two touchdowns against Westwood. Three other top-notch prospects include tackle Steve Dougherty (6-3, 230), tackle Brent Dunn (6-3, 230), and tailback Greg Haynes,

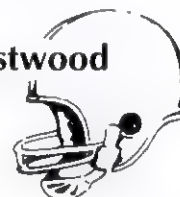
Phoenix Metro Scoring Champions

1984..Art Greathouse, McClintock	120
1983..Anthony Parker, McClintock	174
1982..Anthony Parker, McClintock (jr)	132
1981..Scott Shill, Corona del Sol	132
1980..John Knight, Apollo	140
1979..Brian Evans, Saguaro	108
1978..Vai Sikaheima, Mesa (jr)	112
1977..David Hinds, McClintock	114
Joey Lumpkin, Scottsdale	114
1976..Andy Arredondo, McClintock	108
1975..Brian Felix, Phoenix Union	134
1974..David Mitchell, St. Mary's (jr)	132
1973..Ronnie Bonner, Westwood (jr)	144
1972..Ronnie Bonner, Westwood (so)	108
1971..Gil Gillenwater, Arcadia	102
1970..Brian Pringle, Sunnyslope	115
1969..Ed Hartman, Coronado	144
1968..James Richards, Cortez	114
1967..Tim Smith, St. Mary's	157
1966..Bob Soza, Westwood	174
1965..Bill Dunning, Mesa	122
1964..Ric Watson, Westwood	90
1963..Earliest Nelson, South	124
1962..Pat McGinty, Arcadia	110
1961..Andy Livingston, Mesa	129
1960..Quentin Gregory, Arcadia	150
1959..Bob Olson, South Mountain	121
1958..Lewis Albright, Scottsdale	109
1957..Richard Molina, Mesa	120
1956..Mike Tiffany, St. Mary's	141
1955..George Greathouse, PUHS	90
1954..George Greathouse, PUHS (jr)	132
1953..George Greathouse, Carver (so)	116
1952..Lafayette Winrow, Carver (jr)	120
1951..Wayne Geddes, Scottsdale	106
1950..Don Beasley, Mesa	102
1949..Marvin Williams, Tempe	126

a 4.6 speedster like Hillman.

One dozen letter winners return, with seniors Joel Navarro (6-2, 190), Tom O'Neill (6-0, 200), and Richard Pavis (5-9, 185) the cream of the crop. All three are linemen. Three tough juniors include FB Paul Liano (5-11, 185), WR Willy Lira (6-0, 180), and DB Sean Warren (6-0, 185), who also doubles at QB.

Westwood



If Westwood can stay healthy, the Warriors might field their best team since a 1979 club (9-3) played two playoff games. Last fall Coach Jerry Loper (127-64-9) struck by air, with senior QB Chad White throwing to senior Pat Schabel. That combo has graduated, so the Warriors will now strike by land, with backs Rodney Bonner (6-0, 190) and Doug Lewis (6-0, 185). Bonner is the latest in a long line of Bonners who caused havoc in the local prep ranks. Older brothers Ronnie and Sterling were stars at Westwood, while daddy Sterling was an all-stater at Mesa.

Other key Warriors from last year's out-

1985 Phoenix Metro Top 20 Teams

1. McClintock Chargers
2. Marcos de Niza Padres
3. Trevor Browne Bruins
4. St. Mary's Knights
5. Westwood Warriors
6. Mountain View Toros
7. Alhambra Lions
8. Deer Valley Skyhawks
9. Saguaro Sabercats
10. Gilbert Tigers
11. Chandler Wolves
12. Mesa Jackrabbits
13. Agua Fria Owls
14. Sunnyslope Vikings
15. Independence Patriots
16. Apollo Hawks
17. Moon Valley Rockets
18. Camelback Spartans
19. Cactus Cobras
20. Greenway Demons

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New head coach Jim Rattay (left), only the 6th head coach at Mesa in the past 60 years, and former Mesa great Vai Sikahema (right) of defending NCAA champion Brigham Young University.

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Westwood halfback Rodney Bonner (20) takes a handoff from Chad White (10) and picks up good yardage against Dobson.

fit include FB/LB Dale Noble (5-11, 185), QB/DB Richard Campos (5-10, 170), WR Mike Adams (5-11, 170), OC Jody Sprietsma (6-0, 205), and DT Richard Ramirez (5-10, 205). Westwood's JV unit finished 8-0 last fall, and 18 lettermen return from last year's 7-3 varsity.



The news in Mesa is the hiring of new coach Jim Rattay to take over the Jackrabbits. Hiring a new coach is not that big a deal in some districts, but it sure is for Mesa High. The reason? The school's football program is so sound that the 'Rabbits have had only five head coaches in the past 50 years: Steve Couthie, Edgar "Mutt" Ford, Royal Price, Reed Peterson and Ben Arrendondo.

Mesa, hit hard by injuries, was 4-6 under Arrendondo last fall, who resigned to devote more time to his job on the Tempe Elementary School Board. Rattay, a two-time Class AA state champion coach at Elyria Catholic High near Cleveland, inherits 10 starters from last year's machine, slowed down by injuries to halfback John Fields, who signed with BYU.

Rattay, who compiled a 79-6 record in eight years at Elyria, could have the sur-

Like Father Like Son



Cleveland Colter,
Marana



G. Greathouse,
PUHS

For some reason it appears as though a lot of sons of favorite fathers are playing for their local high school football teams this fall.

Such is the case with Westwood tailback Rodney Bonner, whose father Sterling was an all-state halfback at Mesa in 1953, not to mention a two-time all-state pitcher for the Jackrabbits in baseball, and a state hurdle champion. Two of Rodney's older brothers, Sterling and Ronnie, were stars at Westwood between 1969 and 1973.

Kent Kiefer, current quarterback at McClintock, is coached by his father Karl, a 1955 all-state end at Tempe Union, and later a team captain under Frank Kush at Arizona State.

But it is two other McClintock seniors whose fathers were living legends in the prep ranks. Flanker Cleveland Colter, Jr. is the son of the late Cleveland Colter, a 5-10, 195-pound high school All-American fullback at Marana. With Colter in the lineup in 1967-68, the Tigers finished 10-0-1 and 11-0, producing the most devastating Class B teams in Arizona history.

In 1968, the two-time all-stater carried the ball 148 times for 1,038 yards and 19 touchdowns, booted a state

record 70 PATS, kicked six field goals and recorded a safety for a state-leading 204 points. Colter scored all 21 points in the state title game, a 21-0 win over Round Valley. The Tigers set a "modern" scoring record with 596 points in 11 games, a 54.0 average. During one stretch going into the playoffs, they beat two teams 89-0 and 62-2.

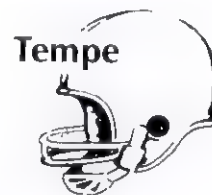
When Marana sailed through a 10-0-1 campaign in 1967, Colter booted 66 PATS, giving him a state career record of 136, a mark which stands today. After graduation he married Kathy Campbell, but on October 15, 1976, at age 26, Cleveland Colter died of a coronary while at the dentist. He left behind three sons, Cleveland Jr., Spencer and Christopher, all now residing in Tempe.

Then there's Arthur Greathouse, McClintock's rushing leader and the city's scoring champ in 1984 (see chart on page 29). Young Art is the youngest son of George Greathouse, a 1955 prep All-American halfback at Phoenix Union. During two varsity campaigns at Carver and two at PUHS, the elder Greathouse set scoring and rushing records which stand today. He scored 63 career touchdowns and 383 career points. His best campaign was in 1954, when he rushed for 1,576 yards, scored 22 touchdowns and 132 points as Union produced one of the best teams in the nation. Their only blemish in 10 games was a 7-7 tie with Redlands, CA. But he was unstoppable during a 33-14 rout of Bakersfield, and in 1955 single-handedly shredded San Diego Helix, 39-2.

Last fall young Art rushed for 1,208 yards, scored 19 touchdowns and 120 points. Ironically, those three figures aren't even a family record.

prise team in the league if these Jackrabbits can stay healthy: OT Lee Barton (6-3, 220), RB Ray Angilay (5-11, 185), WR Mike Gafford (6-1, 175), TE Jeff Romero (6-1, 180), TE Rick Peterson (6-0, 190), OG B.J. Knight (5-11, 195), junior QB Jim Richardson (6-0, 170), RB Russel Dyer (5-10, 170), OT Ernie Urquets (6-1, 210), and FB John Pulotu (6-2, 200).

Within the next six years Mesa has a chance to become one of the few schools in America to win 500 career football games. The 'Rabbits enter the 1985 campaign with 452 wins, nine Class AAA titles (the last in 1963), and an impressive list of more than 100 first-team all-state players. They have had only two losing seasons since 1929. One was last year.



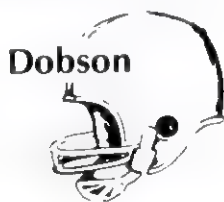
Tempe, which has been playing football since 1924, won the league championship but lost to Chandler in the first round of the playoffs. But they really lost to graduation. Only nine players from that 40-man roster return. Coach Glenn Alford (20-11-1) does return one of the best — and most exciting — athletes in the division in Elgin Caldwell (6-0, 160), a QB/DB/WR/RS with 4.6 speed who long jumped 24-0 in the state



Tempe runningback Mike Rose (24) escapes the tackle of Dobson's Frank Buessing (50) in a hard-fought Central Division game last fall.

AAA track meet last spring. He also stars on the basketball team.

Another good back is Mike Rose (6-1, 180), a tough, hard runner with 4.8 speed. The line looks solid with OC Kyle Smyth (6-0, 185), OT Eric Rhode (6-0, 210), and OG Scott Conant (5-6, 175), the smallest but toughest Buffalo in camp.



Mesa Dobson, like most schools in the Tempe-Mesa region, finished the season with a winning record: 6 wins, 4 losses. Coach Mike Clark (44-33-3) lost a lot to graduation, but the Mustangs, the youngest school in Mesa, return a veteran offensive line and one of the better JV teams in the area.

Two of the better players in the region include LB Mark Anderson (6-1, 200), a 4.7 runner who also plays FB, and center Eric Van Hook (6-3, 210), whose 4.9 speed helps

out at DT. Other Mustangs with potential include RB Bryan Fernau (6-2, 195), TE Frank Buessing (6-3, 190), OG Sean O'Rourke (5-9, 180), OG Eric Valliere (5-11, 200), and PK Quin Rodriguez (6-0, 140). Both Valliere and Rodriguez are juniors.



Chandler, the four Mesa schools and the four Tempe schools make up this tough league, and Corona del Sol may have the hardest road to hoe. The Aztecs finished 4-6 with a senior dominated club, and only 14 lettermen return. "We don't have a lot of returning players, but the ones who are coming back are good ones," claims Larry Hughes, 43-31-1 at Tempe's newest school. "We should have a better defense and more speed."

Center Drew Metcalf (6-2, 225) also plays LB and could develop into a major college player. He's a good hitter and finds

the ball like radar. In track he tossed the shot 53-feet and the discus 155-feet. Cornerback Mike Thomas (5-10, 175) is the fastest Aztec on campus (4.5) and like Metcalf a real hitter. Thomas played only on defense last fall, but will see duty this season as a runningback.

Tight end Brad Keilen (6-1, 200), only a junior, runs 40 yards in 4.6 seconds and caught 31 passes from Scooter Molander last fall. A dedicated weight-lifter, Keilen catches the ball well in a crowd. Four other Aztecs with lots of potential include safety Freddie Combs (5-10, 160), FB George Schancez (5-10, 205), DE Marty Kellog (6-2, 200), and TB Byron Autry (5-9, 155), like Thomas a real speed merchant. With Sanchez, Thomas and Autry in the backfield, look for CDS to switch from their traditional passing attack to a stronger running game.

Trevor Browne



The won-loss record for the past seven years shows Trevor Browne to be one of the most successful teams in Arizona football. Only two other high schools, Mesa Mountain View (72) and Eloy Santa Cruz (71), have won more games than the Bruins (69).

But Bill Minton's forces have appeared in more consecutive playoff seasons than any other team, earning berths each of the past seven years, winning the state title in 1981, placing runnerup in 1980 and 1982. The Bruins have appeared in 20 playoff contests during that seven year span. With 19 lettermen returning, including a blue-chip runningback, that tradition should continue.

In Van Aldridge, a 5-11, 170-pound senior, Trevor Browne has one of the best and fastest (4.5) backs in the Valley. Aldridge led the Bruins in such categories as touchdowns (13) and scoring (78 pts), plus a 91-yard pass reception against Camelback, a 37-yard interception return against Agua Fria, a 43-yard punt return against Central and a 45-yard kickoff return vs Tolleson. The Bruins, 7-4 last season, have another good runner in TB Jim Barnett (5-10, 168), younger brother of former all-stater Rory Barnett. The youngest Barnett runs 40 yards in 4.6 seconds, giving TBHS one of the quickest backfields in Phoenix.

Other solid performers include LB Bob Baraban (6-1, 195), OT Dave Hernandez

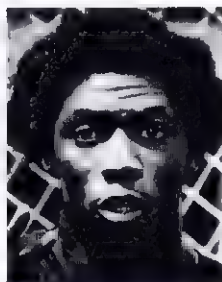


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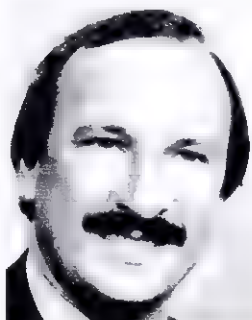
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1983..John Walker, Marcos de Niza, QB
1984..Rich Groppenbacher, McClintock, WR

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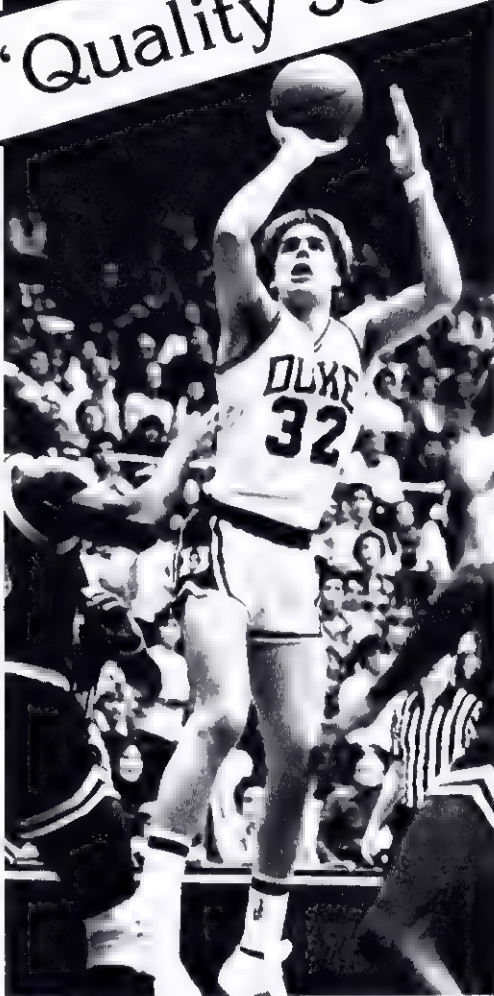
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(6-0, 215), DT Eric Kutter (5-11, 205), OT Bill Long (6-1, 240), DT Ruben Lopez (6-0, 210), TE Jim Castro (5-11, 185), and deep backs Tate Mitton (5-9, 160) and Chuck Lazarr (5-9, 155). Like Barnett, both Milton and Lazarr run 40 yards in 4.6 seconds.

"We still have to find a quarterback," says Coach Bill Mitton, who should win his 100th game next season. "It will take us a couple of weeks to get everything together, then we should be able to compete with anybody."



At Alhambra, early season injuries and four losses by a total of six points made for a very disappointing 1984. But with four defensive starters, plus two other players who saw action, the Lions could reach the playoffs for the first time in seven years. This will be Aaron LaDuke's third season at ILB. The 6-0, 200-pound senior will double at FB. One of the best defenders in the city could be Cornell Green (5-9, 165), a third-year starter in the secondary who also plays TB and runs 40 yards in 4.5 seconds. He gained 700 yards as a junior.

Big David Henderson (6-2, 225) started every game at center and is a good one-on-one blocker. Tight end Jim Hanawalt (6-4, 215) played on the Lions' state championship basketball team and is a three-year starter. Randall Lindsey (6-0, 175) plays DE and WB and started eight games. Robert Alley (6-3, 195) and Gary Frazier (5-11, 200) are two of the better defensive tackles to play at Alhambra in recent years. Both have good size and quickness. Senior Kelly Wood (6-0, 155) is the returning SE, and started half the season at the other CB slot opposite Green.

But the key to a successful season might be QB Nathan LaDuke (5-11, 175), who was injured and missed most of 1984. He runs the option extremely well, has a good feel for doing the right thing at the right time, and could develop into an excellent passer. Plus, the Lions would like to give Coach Paul Hoffland his 100th varsity win. The former Ohio prep mentor is just four away, with 96 wins in 15 years in the profession.



It could be a very good year at Saguaro, with the entire Sabercats' backfield return-

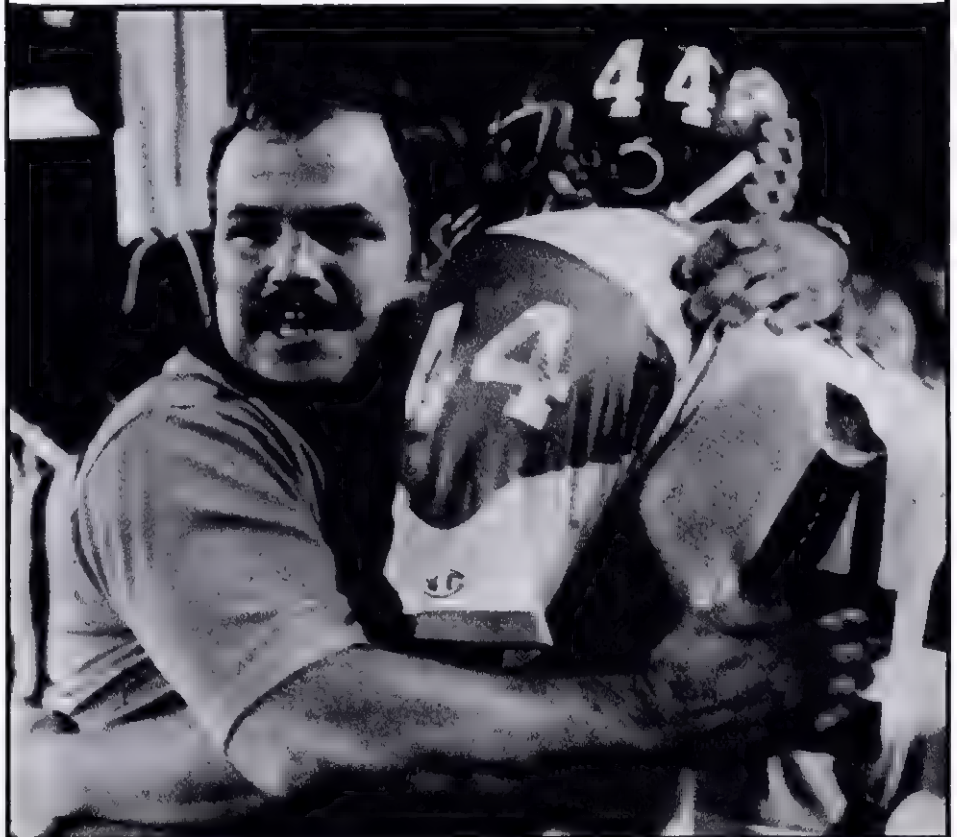
ing, along with outstanding center Scot Boatwright (6-2, 240), only a junior, and senior QB Judge Johnston (6-2, 180), an excellent passer with lots of experience. The 'Cats, 3-7 a year ago, used to buy a playoff ticket every other year for more than a decade. Bob Keller, who has won 65 games since 1974, has watched three straight losing seasons and has had enough.

"With five starters back on defense we

have the nucleus for a solid unit," says Keller. "Our best teams in the past were solid defensive clubs. Our down linemen offensively and defensively will be the big question marks this year."

Keller's defensive unit also includes CB Garrett Glenn (5-11, 190), LB Jeff Jones (5-10, 185), DE Brian Miller (6-1, 195), CB Scott Popovich (5-11, 185), DT Bob Galizia (6-3, 245), LB Jim Poppe (5-10, 180), LB

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Maryvale



Last fall Maryvale began with a very inexperienced group, starting seven juniors, but finished 3-2 down the stretch. A 3-7 season resulted and 14 squad members are back, plus a good group from a 6-2 JV unit. In tackle Preston Lambert (6-3, 250), the Panthers have one of the premier linemen in Phoenix. Every opposing coach listed him a top player.

The rest of the lineup includes twins Dall and Dade Dankworth (both 6-0, 200), runningbacks Andre Viverette (5-10, 160) and Tony Rowe (5-10, 160), receivers George Fimbres (6-0, 160) and Mark Sellick (6-0, 160), QB Scott Rollins (5-9, 170), LB Henry Silva (5-10, 175), OT Bryan Obenour (6-3, 205) and DB Angel Ortega (5-9, 150). Rollins, only a junior, started at DB as a sophomore, and along with Dan Duncan (6-2, 190) will battle for the QB slot.

Camelback



Camelback, hit by the injury bug, dropped to 2-7-1, its worst won-loss record in 16 years. But 14 returners, half which lettered, should make the Spartans competitive in 1985.

Coach Pete Kellen's ace in the hole is LB/TE Jeff Johnson (6-4, 210), a senior with 4.7 forty speed. Johnson was a member of Camelback's outstanding baseball club which reached the AAA finals last spring. Other quality players include DB Keith Carter (5-9, 195), WB Brent Gregory (5-8, 155), OC Robert Potter (5-11 180), TE Brent Nobley (6-3, 195) and SE Mark Zannis (6-1, 175).

Coronado



The Dons, like most Scottsdale area schools, struggled last fall, finishing to 4-6. Quicker runningbacks and improved offensive firepower should turn things around

(Scottsdale Progress)



One of the best backs in Scottsdale, Saguaro High's Garrett Glenn, could help the Sabercats earn a playoff ticket for the first time since 1981.

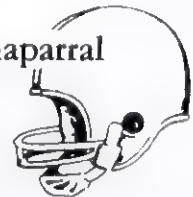
for Joe Corte, 55-45-2 in the prep ranks. The top skill players should be QB John Boyer, RB Mike Bitter, RB Scott Gordon, and ends Sean Bailey, Brent Allen, Brian Kuleff, Darren Whitehurst, Larry Yanez and Mike Sanfratello. The Dons' line will consist of Paul Halchishick, Brian Girardin, Tom Taylor, Paul Lobianco, Dan Lee, Pete Wagner, Rod Christner, Jim Davis and Don Fitch. Battling Boyer for the QB position will be juniors Tom Geffert and Ryan Bradley.

Central



Central turned a rebuilding year into a 9-2 season and a berth in the playoffs. Eight starters, six on offense and two on defense, are back. Those starters include DB Mark Carr (5-11, 150), DB Don Price (6-0, 165), RB Randy Carr (6-0, 175), the only junior, RB Tom Jeffries (5-7, 160), OG Tom Poindexter (6-1, 185), OG Ron Serbin (6-0, 185), OT Matt Steckner (6-1, 185), and OC John Zakrzewski (6-0, 175). George Endress, a head coach for 17 seasons at Phoenix Tech, Camelback, East and Central, will have to rebuild his entire defense.

Chaparral



The Firebirds currently own a 20-game losing streak, and new coach Jim Bevell wants to put a stop to it right away. "I feel we have some good players and should win some games," says Bevell, who has assembled a staff including Tom Dahl, Ken Johnson and Tom Melton. Halfback Cory Holmes (5-11, 190) will have four solid linemen to run behind: Todd Bogers (6-0, 195), Chad Cord (6-3, 200), John Jacobson (5-11, 195) and junior Jim Jacobson (6-1, 200). If the streak is to end Chaparral must beat Arcadia in their opener. After that the schedule gets tougher.

South Mountain



South Mountain finished 7-3, the Rebels' best outing since 1980, but graduation took its toll and Northern Arizona took its

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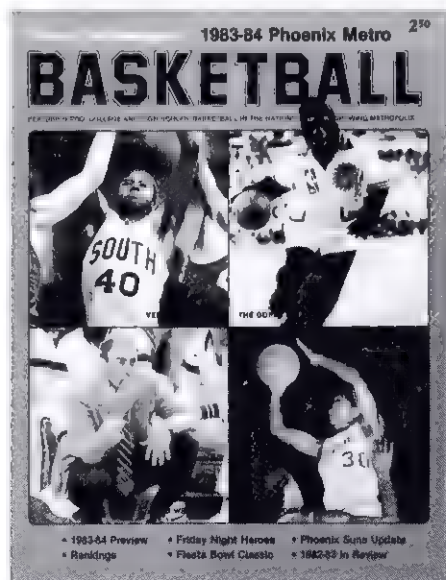
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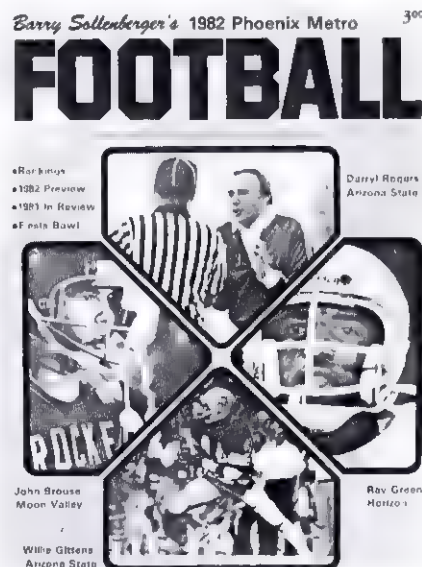
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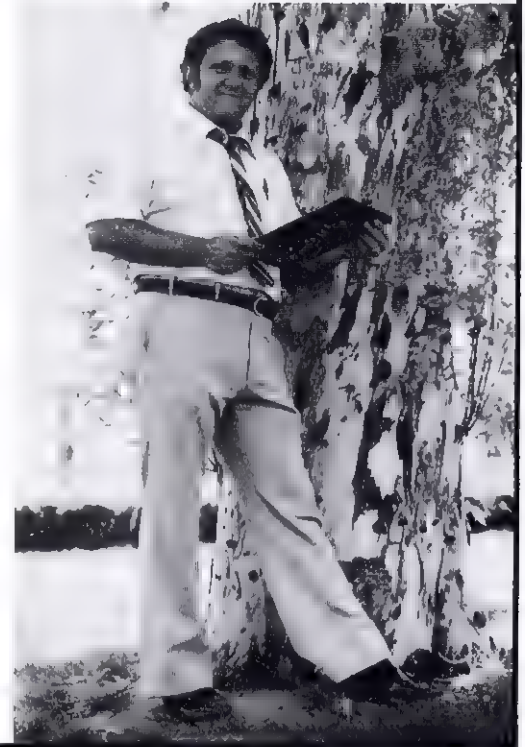
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St. Mary's head coach Pat Farrell is carried off the field by fans after the Knights' 31-14 win over Tucson Sahuaro. (Ken Akers photo)

coach, Moody Jackson. Assistant Jerry McCarty takes over and inherits only three starters: WR Edward Bardwell (6-0, 180), DT Eric Ballew (6-0, 250) and NG John Nero (5-7, 190). But the strength of the Rebels in 1985 will be the junior class, which didn't lose a game on the junior varsity level.

St. Mary's



It's been more than a decade since a AAA state champion has repeated. It probably won't happen this year. Although St. Mary's returns 19 lettermen from a 12-2 championship club which routed Tucson Sahuaro in December, very few were starters.

"All the pieces fell in the right place," says Pat Farrell, 55-25-2 since 1978. "We stayed healthy and got hot when we had too. I wouldn't mind doing it again, sometime."

Quarterback Steve Belles, now at Notre Dame, led the Knights' aerial attack, which looks grounded with his departure. But that won't be bad. Both runningbacks were sophomores, FB Reggie McGill (5-9, 175) and HB Derryll Harris (5-9, 160). Both run 40 yards in 4.8 seconds but look faster. Another good runningback with size (5-11, 180) and speed (4.7) is senior Ed Moll.

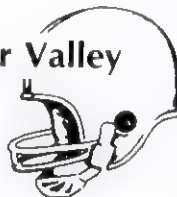
The kicking game is in good hands with Mike Cortright (6-0, 175), a senior who has booted 17 field goals in his two-year career

— 11 last year. He also added 45 PATS to his credit.

The pass catchers will be senior TE Brent Byerly (6-4, 190) and mini-receiver Mike Richmond (5-7, 135). Byerly also played LB, while Richmond starts in the secondary. Senior Robert Morquecho (5-9, 170) is another good defensive back.

As the Knights' line play improved last fall, so did their running game. If St. Mary's expects to reach the playoffs again, their running game must click from the very start, until the passing game comes around. Two top-notch defensive linemen who might have to start on offense are tackles Damone Wilson (6-0, 185) and Mike Diaz (6-2, 195).

Deer Valley



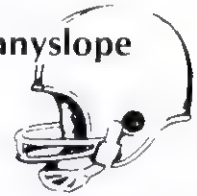
The Skyhawks, 0-10 four years ago, reached the quarterfinals last fall and finished 6-4-2 after bowing to Tucson Sahuaro, 14-7. "We should be a contender," claims Rick Johnson, 17-12-3 in three years at the new school. "We have now established a strong program and hope to keep it that way."

Deer Valley has one of the better runningbacks in the league in speedy Kevin Holloway (5-11, 175), the Skyline 100 meter champ as a soph in 10.66. Holloway runs 40 yards in 4.5 seconds and can be used as a DB, WR and return specialist. Senior Jeff Cowan (5-11, 205) was a first-

team all-league selection at center and doubles at LB. Senior QB David Taylor (6-0, 180) led the frosh and JV teams through 17-0-1 campaigns and started as a DB last year. Both Cowan and Taylor run 40 yards in 4.7 seconds.

Several of the 14 returning Skyhawks started as juniors, including TE/DB John Thompson (6-2, 185), DE Todd Thomas (6-1, 180) and OG Peter Kurtz (5-10, 190), to name just a few. At least one dozen juniors from a 6-1-1 JV squad should contribute.

Sunnyslope



Sunnyslope had a good season, reaching the playoffs but falling in the first round and finishing 7-3-1. "We should have a very strong team this year," insists Bill Kee, 27-23-1 with the Vikings. "We will be big and physical, with a better defense and a more balanced attack than last year."

That's bad news for other members of their division of the Skyline. Kee returns 11 lettermen and a junior varsity which finished 6-2. Two real mean Vikings are tackle Scott Hicks (6-4, 250) and OG/LB Jeff Kunes (6-1, 220), both college prospects according to their coach. Another good linebacker is senior Bryan Chesley (6-1, 205), the team's TE. Junior Dan Roether (5-9, 155) started two games at QB as a soph, and is one of the five fastest (4.7) players on the squad.

The three fastest Vikings in camp are TB Mike Draper (5-10, 170), a transfer who should start, WB/CB Ben Mansour (5-7, 150) and FB/DE Martin Minter (6-1, 175). Scott Hicks isn't the only large member of 'Slopes' forward wall. Others include tackle Brad Nally (6-2, 250), G/DE John Pavlik (6-1, 205), tackle Jeff Fitzgerald (6-1, 220) and tackle Kyle Bellaire (6-1, 230), all juniors.

Independence



The Patriots really turned it around. Coach Steve Daly's crew lost their first four games, then won their remaining five to finish 5-4 for the second straight year. Eight starters are back as Independence moves into a new AAA league.

Speed is the name of the game this fall, and this school could win a lot of races. With QB Anthony Farinari (6-0, 180) improving from game to game, Daly may have one of the better signal callers in the Valley. His biggest target will be TE Jack

Qinn (6-4, 230), like Farinari a senior with 4.7 speed. The Patriots may have the quickest (4.7) interior lineman in the league in Ed Valenzuela (6-1, 220), a senior who benches over 300 pounds and squats 500.

Linebacker Bob Arrowood (6-2, 220) runs 40 yards in 4.7 seconds and started as a sophomore. The quickest (4.6) back on campus is senior Joe Gatti (6-0, 210), a threat going inside and out. Jason Cochran (6-1, 185) can also fly (4.6) but was injured last year and missed most of the season. Coach Daly feels he may be one of the best defensive backs in the state.



Although Apollo finished with a winning season (5-4-1), the Hawks missed the playoffs for the first time since 1978. Coach Rudy Pacheco has a good nucleus returning, and if QB Matt Grott (6-0, 175) can overcome his lack of experience at that position, Apollo's offense should be stronger. They still lack experience at DE and in the secondary.

Three real good players to build a contender around are tackle Gary Pay (6-5, 230), RB Tom Collins (5-10, 175) and junior center Dennis McCabe (6-1, 210). Five additional starters include TE/DT Jim Drape (6-2, 220), DB Aaron Turner (6-0, 170), LB Bobby Ray (5-10, 180), OG Victor Stazzone (5-9, 210) and RB Juan Ross (5-9, 150). Craig Bauer, Gerald Weber, John Hansen, Tom Harms, Chris Grattino, Keith Sawyer, Rob Hemby and Kevin Sullivan comprise the rest of Pacheco's 18 returning lettermen.



Injuries took their toll as the season was ending at Moon Valley. Still, the Rockets finished 7-3, and have run together seasons of 8-3-1, 8-2, 9-3, 14-0, 9-3 and 7-3 since 1979. But this edition will be hard put to match that 7-3 finish, with little size and lots of youth on the roster.

Coach Earl Putman, 123-70-5 since 1966, has two outstanding prospects in DB Kevin Kluge (5-10, 160) and PK Scott Reutter (5-11, 165), a junior who kicked eight field goals last fall. The Rockets' backfield will be made up of QB Alan Brown, and runningbacks Eric Micotti, Anthony Vasquez and John Hertneky. The receiving corp will consist of Rick Beaubien, Tom Hungerford and Scott Green. Center Marcus Steele



Apollo Hawks on the loose, L-R, Tom Collins, Ken Macklin and Gary Pay

(5-10, 180) will be flanked by Wayne Pesnell, Joey Muniz and Brad Diana.

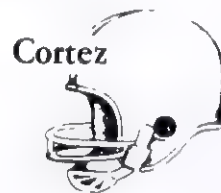


Last year Greenway was young and inexperienced and it showed in the won-loss column: 2 wins, 7 losses, 1 tie. But 18 lettermen, eight starters, could turn that around in a hurry. And Coach Greg Parrish was all smiles when the JV team finished 7-0-1. "This season we will have depth at most every position," explains Parrish. "We didn't have that last year."

The key to the offense is QB Paul Beltler (6-2, 185), a 10-game starter as a sophomore, and TE Tom Johnson (6-4, 210), another underclassman with good size, speed and balance. Linebacker Doug Atkin (5-11, 190) was in on 130 tackles last season. Tackle Gary Markak (6-3, 210) started 10 games at DE, as did RB Ed Barnes (5-9, 175), the Demons' free safety. Two other deep backs are Tim Salmon (6-3, 190) and Mike Smith (5-11, 180), both seniors and both good receivers on offense. Senior tackle Mike DeNoon (6-1, 210) has good speed and technique.

That unbeaten sophomore team could supply six starters, three linemen and three backs. Tackle Brett Weaver (5-11, 240) benched 345 pounds as a freshman. Center Ray

Richardson (6-1, 250) also plays defense. Big TE Tom Johnson, mentioned earlier, is also a good DE prospect. Halfback Derek Deherrera (5-10, 170) rushed for 1,000 yards in eight games, while FB Doug Adams (5-10, 180) was one of the team's better hitters. Linebacker Steve Butcher (6-0, 170) may have been the squad's best defensive player.



Cortez lost their best player, WR Andrew Fucci, early in the season with an injury, dropped three games by a total of five points and still managed to finish 6-4. With lots of good skill people in the lineup, Coach Dave Leikvold could match that mark in 1985. He's won 62 games in 10 years of coaching.

Halfback David Schwartz (6-0, 180) was an all-league selection as a junior. But another RB, senior Craig Stout (6-0, 165), was injured last fall and might be the best in the area. Flanker Chuck Sewell (6-0, 185) is a two-year starter who also plays in the secondary. Guards Regan Hunt (6-1, 195) and Bob Hart (5-11, 185) are strong and experienced. If the Colts develop a passing QB in the off-season he'll have two good receivers to throw to, TE Lon White (6-2, 185) and SE Terry Hill (5-10, 155).

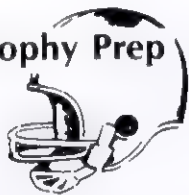
Shadow Mountain



Not many schools in the Skyline return as many lettermen (20) as Shadow Mountain. For that reason Coach Dick McKivergan thinks the Matadors could have a good season. He may be right, if three key seniors, two big tackles and a place kicker, come through.

The big tackles are Mike Niles (6-1, 215) and Andy Patt (6-4, 295). That's a lot of beef for the high school ranks. Little Craig Babinski (5-9, 160) is one of the city's outstanding field goal kickers. The two guard slots will be run by Dan Allen (5-8, 180) and Bobby Johns (5-9, 185). Dean Lyman (5-11, 185) is the center. The backfield will consist of QB Kevin Small (6-0, 170), FB Marty Hatcher (6-1, 200) and HB Tim Tennyson (5-9, 155). The pass catchers look like WR Jim Edmundson (5-9, 155), WR Jeff Sargent (6-3, 175), WR Mike Rich (5-8, 150) and TE Kevin Kolesar (5-11, 175). Newcomers to the varsity include QB Aaron Denton, WR Joey Woods, RB Todd Padberg and DB Scott Beauchamp.

Brophy Prep



Brophy, for the first time in the school's history, didn't win a game last fall. First-year boss Tim Sanford, a former assistant at Moon Valley, hopes to turn it around in a hurry. "We will be in the process of rebuilding this season," warns Sanford. "With quite a few experienced returners, we do have a nucleus to work with."

Six seniors who have potential and must show leadership are RB/LB Steve Caruso (6-2, 200), tackle John Wilmowski (6-3, 220), SE/DE Ed Meehan (6-0, 175), DB Kirk Strang (5-10, 165), and tackles Joe McDonald (6-2, 220) and Chris Lambesis (6-4, 200).

With 18 letter winners back in camp, Sanford has the numbers to work with, and a school which wants to win. As recently as 1978, the Broncos, coached then by Trevor Stinson, finished 12-1 after falling to Mountain View in the AAA semifinals. But since then they have broken .500 only once. Another tradition they would like to change is the won-loss record against their rival school, defending AAA champ St. Mary's. Brophy is 6-14-0 against the Knights since 1966. Ironically, Tim Sanford's brother Jim is the St. Mary's Athletic Director.

Thunderbird



On the playing surface, Thunderbird finished 6-4, 5-1 in their league. But due to an administrative error, a player was declared ineligible and the Chiefs forfeited two games, missing the playoffs. "We begin conference play this year with Moon Valley and end with St. Mary's," says Owen De-Janovich. "It will be a very physical year and we will be small in numbers. We'll have our work cut out for us."

Yes they will. Only 10 squad members return from the varsity. The junior varsity didn't win a game. But seven starters might have something to say about Thunderbird's playoff hopes: TE Bill Hintze (6-2, 215), NG Paul Schlink (6-0, 230), the team's best defensive lineman, OT Brian Webb (6-3, 240), QB Bob Saiz (5-11, 170), WR Joe Domanico (5-10, 170) and DE Brian Hallabaugh (6-3, 190). Fullback Hudson Johnston (6-1, 205) played the position for one game last year and rushed for 100 yards (vs Cortez) while DE Rod Blum (6-2, 200), QB/DB Jason Foerster (5-11, 175) and LB Darren Permenter (5-11, 200) have potential.

Horizon



First-year coach Doug Shaffer will have his hands full with only three letter winners returning from a senior-dominated club last fall which finished 4-6. Shaffer's strength will be the skill positions, with weakness showing up in the offensive and defensive line. Linebacker Dan Friedman, OT Tony Conrad (6-1, 230) and OG Tony Paterno are the three returning lettermen. Watch for RB Jim Kupanoff (6-0, 180), QB Brian Hampton (6-1, 180, jr.), DB Rob Turner, WR Pat Murphy, RB Rich Starr and TE Jeff Sobotka (6-5, 180) to start.

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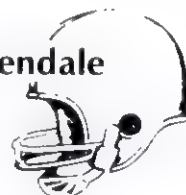


Washington rebounded from a 1-9 outing and finished 4-6 last November. "We were competitive," says Dave Swerdfefer, who will move his team into the new division of the Skyline. "With only six players returning we are so inexperienced it

is difficult to tell anything about our team. But going into the new league is better for us with enrollment down."

Senior QB Craig Doolittle (6-0, 190) throws well, and senior SE Sidney Brice (6-2, 170) has speed (4.6) to get to the ball. Other receivers with good ability include TE Mark Simmons (6-1, 185), SE David Nash (6-1, 170), RB Doug Hastings (5-10, 155), and RB Mike Murphy (5-10, 160). Linemen like Tom Backer (6-0, 175), Kip Chillag (5-11, 190) and Scott Burroughs (5-11, 170) will man the trenches.

Glendale



Glendale moves back into the AAA ranks and Coach Tom Hernandez is hoping to improve last season's 1-8 finish. The Cardinals are looking toward Scott Erickson (5-7, 140), a third-year QB, to provide leadership. He is small but quick. From the JV team Robert Meza (5-8, 155) will give Glendale opponents all they can handle. Linemen who should help include Greg Thorley, Marc Aldana, Bob O'Brien, David Dager, Kevin Dykes, Bill Gallimore and Mario Cardenas.

Agua Fria



The Owls, always strong in football, will have an outstanding runningback, a strong defense again, and a good kicking game. Coach Tom Wheatley has three of the better players in the Valley in RB Geno Chisolm (6-0, 170), the fastest back in the area with 4.49 speed, TE Jon Mann (6-3, 210), a solid player, and OT Kerry McDaniel (6-3, 205), brother of Arizona State guard Randall McDaniel.

Agua Fria finished 6-4 last fall and almost made the playoffs. Fullback Jim Hood (6-0, 205) can squat 520 pounds and has been moved back from the line. Last fall he was a tackle. Guard Kevin Galloway (6-0, 175) is a very aggressive player. Linebacker Terry Gathercole (5-9, 170) is small but tough, DT Shannon Arnold (5-8, 170) started as a soph, and DB Billy Belford (6-0, 170) is one of the team's best hitters. Top prospects from the JV unit include: WB T.C. Richmond, RB Vern Rogers, QB Chad Romanowski, and linemen Clint Bradford and Mike Hawthorne.

Peoria



Peoria, coached by Mike Matheson, finished 8-4 after falling to Flagstaff in the AA Finals, the Panthers best season since 1976. "It was a great year, a super effort by the players and the staff," smiles Matheson. "But this year we play in a new league, face new players and have lots of questions to answer."

Who to give the ball to and who will do the punting is already answered: all-state TB Marlo Cobos (5-10, 165) and kicker Wade Corson (6-0, 170). The coaches are also high on OT/DT Robert Hall (6-0, 185), LB Shane Whitelock (5-10, 175) and RB Roy Mercado (5-11, 175), to name a few. The Panthers will compete against Kingman, Mohave, Lake Havasu, Agua Fria, North and Carl Hayden this fall.

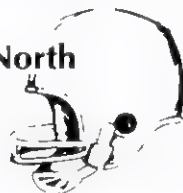
Carl Hayden



The Falcons, under two-year mentor Mike Mitchell, stopped the state's longest active losing streak with a midseason win over Casa Grande. The West Phoenix school finished 1-9 and hopes to get back on the winning track. But the Falcons last winning season was 1971 (5-4-1), when CHHS was guided by Don Klostreich, now the successful wrestling coach at Tucson Sunnyside.

The one dozen returning lettermen who got national recognition for ending a 45-game winless streak include HB Steve Villa, HB Rundell Nesbitt, HB Robert Rivera, DB Gilbert Rivera, DL David Saiz, OC Richard Murillo, QB Leo Willson, DL Ricky Huckaby, LB Mike Hernandez, DL Robert Garcia, DE Raul Martinez and LB Gabe Larranage. Villa, a 6-1, 175-pound back, is the fastest Falcon on the roster with 4.8 speed.

North



North, which closed after the 1980 campaign, reopened two years ago and played a frosh schedule, followed by a 5-3 JV outing last fall. "We will be young and inexperienced," insists Coach Danny White. "It will be two years before we make a strong showing." The Mustangs have a long way

to go. Once a super power in city football, North went 18-79-2 in their last decade of existence. They won 60 games during their first 10 years of operation.

Paradise Valley



The Trojans have improved in two years under Pat Lavin (96-32-2), with 3-7 and 4-6 records, losing half-a-dozen games by 10 points or less. With only 28 players on the varsity (no JV team), PV almost broke even. Although as many as eight sophomores might start on the varsity this fall, two of the better players in the division will wear Trojan red and white: QB Joe Carter (6-2, 185) and DT/OT Wales Hunkin (6-3, 235). Carter passed for almost 1,000 yards as a sophomore.

Paradise Valley, which last broke even (5-5) in 1978 under Coach Cliff Martin, listed 19 underclassmen on their varsity roster last season, including: DB Chris Norris (5-9, 150), WR Jeff Leister (5-8, 150) RB Todd Scoles (5-8, 150), DB Kevin Neal (5-9, 150), DE James Triguero (5-9, 160), OG Brian Smith (5-9, 170), OG Shawn Bidot (5-9, 165), DT Rex Stewart (5-11, 165), WR Chris Storms (5-10, 160), and DB Saul Carrasco (5-9, 160). They will compete in Division II of the Central Division this fall.

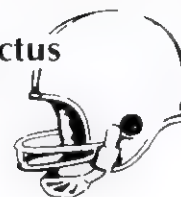
Gilbert



Gilbert will be moving up to AAA warfare this fall, bringing 15 lettermen from a good 8-3 club with them. The Tigers started shaky, falling to two AAA teams, but played well in their conference. They lost out to a good Flagstaff team in the playoffs. Coach Rick Dunn (23-6-1) returns two of the better players in the Valley, RB/DB Remy Carrasco (6-1, 170) and OG/DT Jeff Regnell (6-0, 190). Carrasco, with 4.6 forty speed, was an all-state selection as a junior. Regnell was second-team all-state.

The Tigers are always solid in the line, and this year should be no different with tackles Garth Overly (6-1, 205), Scott Allan (6-0, 190) and Steve Davis (5-10, 170), who doubles at center. The skill positions will be manned by FB Bill Coleman (5-11, 180), HB Buff Davis (5-9, 150), LB Greg Knapp (6-0, 195), WR Steve Dunn (6-1, 165), DB Lem Hill (5-6, 145) and DB Scott McLouth (5-11, 170). These Tigers will play their first official AAA contest in September against Mountain View.

Cactus



In Larry Fetkenhier's first year at the helm, Cactus finished 8-3-1 and beat Phoenix Central in the playoffs before falling to Chandler. "It was a successful season, and we're looking forward to the new season and the new league," says the Cobras' head coach.

The Cactus offense in 1985 will be built around the quick feet (4.6) and sure hands (20 catches, 232 yards) of senior RB Butch Newlin (5-9, 175). The senior halfback averaged 6.2 yards per carry as a junior. The key to the Cobras' defense will be DE Howie Powers (6-3, 190), an all-league selection as a junior who recorded seven QB sacks. Another defensive jewel is senior LB Paul Cole (6-2, 190).

Other Cobras with lots of game experience include DB Rey Valenzuela, LB Steve McKinnon, DT Todd Nicely, OG Ron Dazzo, OT Ed Kasney (6-1, 210, jr.), DT Tom Valenzuela, HB Kieth Mitchell, DB Stephen Kalb, QB Bobby Schmitz and DT Scott Stevens.



Cactus' Howie Powers (86) zeros in on one of seven QB sacks in 1984. Powers will be a key to the Cobras' defense in 1985.

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The Redcoats are trying to rebound from a promising season which ended with a 3-5 finish. "Although we had good individual talent it was a very disappointing year," says Jim Relph (37-20-1). "Four of the five losses were to teams who went into the state playoffs. We lost four games by one touchdown or less. In the clutch we just fell apart."

But this fall Gerard will have improved team speed, excellent receivers and the fastest backfield in recent years. Members of that backfield include: Ed Fyling (6-0, 190), Alex Araza (5-8, 170), Matt Nebgen (5-9, 160) and Eric Duggan (5-10, 170). Just as speedy is the receiving corp with Andy McComger (5-9, 150), Rich Golonka (5-11, 175), Steve Rhelan (6-0, 150), Matt Dirks (5-11, 150), Mike Dirks (5-10, 150) and Mike Phelan (6-4, 180). Everybody runs 40 yards in 4.8 seconds or faster. Blaine Donovan (6-1, 195), Chris Capilovic (6-1, 200), Dave Wolcott (5-10, 175), Chris Stayton (6-3, 200), Mike Seliger (6-4, 200) and Bill Norris (5-10, 200) will anchor the line. "Our students, parents, players and coaches are really looking forward to playing in the new AAA conference," adds Relph.

Arcadia



Jay Phillips is the new coach at Arcadia, where the Titans fielded their second 3-6-1 team since 1980. Seventeen letter winners are back, with linemen like big Jeff Dand (6-3, 250) and Rick Dwyer (5-11, 190) in the limelight. Dwyer was a member of the Scottsdale all-city team. Other starters on the forward wall include DE John Reese (6-3, 200), TE Wes Spencer (6-1, 185), LB Brad Holmes (6-1, 185), and OT Mark Formanick (6-4, 210), a junior. Two promising backs are Kinnon Sandlin (6-0, 170) and Darren Bourgeois (5-8, 165), both seniors.

Tolleson



Tolleson, which finished 10-1-1 last November, will have new personnel, new coaches and a new stadium. Roy Moreno takes over for Thurman Simmons, who

gave Wolverine fans their first unbeaten (9-0-1) regular season in history. But only nine lettermen (four starters) return from that club which lost to McClintock in the AAA quarterfinals. Best, and fastest, is RB Darnell Robison (5-10, 160), a 4.55 burner. Moreno's wishbone offense will be guided by soph QB Charles Hrabowy (5-9, 145), also the teams kicker, with OT Morgan Sundlust (6-2, 270) the team's biggest lineman. Frank Lomeli (6-3, 170), like Hrabowy a 4.7 sprinter, is the team's ace in the secondary.

Casa Grande



Last season Casa Grande had the youngest club in AAA football. Only six seniors played on the varsity. Coach John Kashner returns 35 lettermen from that 0-10 squad, with improvement the name of the game. The most experienced Cougar appears to be senior David Apodaca (5-11, 170), a two-year letterman with 4.65 forty speed. Apodaca doubles at RB/DB. Three other quick teammates are WR/DB Warren Darrell (6-3, 170), WR Darren Gaines (6-3, 185) and DB Shea Nieto (5-10, 160). The biggest Cougars in camp are tackle Conde Sluga (6-1, 205) and center Johnny Ollerton (6-0, 205).

Phoenix Christian



Walt Beamis first coached football at Phoenix Christian in 1962, and today, 120 wins later, he's still going strong. Last November his Cougars won another league crown, finished 9-3 on the season, and beat Morenci 25-7 for the Class B state championship.

This fall the school moves into a Class A division with Bourgade, Buckeye, Dysart, Parker, Mingus Union, Wickenburg, Payson and Phoenix Indian. PC, which had to win a three-way playoff with Florence and Ray just to get into the playoffs, returns eight defensive starters and seven on offense from that championship club.

Halfback Ed Rehm (5-11, 165), a first-team all-stater with 4.9 speed, and DB Norm Larson (5-10, 155), an all-state honorable mention, are two key holdovers. The remaining Cougars have lots of game experience: DB Todd Morgan, FB Rick Erickson, LB Sam Rames, TE Scott Keniston, DE Matt Kauffman, OC Brett Sutton, HB Lex Beres and DE Keith Slatler.

All are seniors and Slatler, at 6-4, 185, is the biggest Cougar in camp.

Buckeye



With 16 returning lettermen from a 6-2 finish, Buckeye is looking forward to a good season. Coach Tim Logsdon, 82-41-3 in the high school ranks, returns six starters on both offense and defense. Top returners include RB Lon McRae (5-10, 175), who averaged 8.7 yards per carry before getting hurt, and tackle Kirk Musgrave (6-1, 210), a varsity starter since his sophomore year.

The Hawks expect big things from TE Darin Bushey (6-2, 190), TE Mike Welch (6-2, 185), DB Wade Helton (5-11, 155), QB Mark Van Dillen (6-0, 170), tackle Brian Beasley (6-0, 235), tackle Ron Randall (6-0, 200), SE Jace Judd (5-9, 150) and NG David Ortiz (5-6, 205), who recently broke a school record by bench pressing 330 pounds.

Dysart



What can you say about an 0-8 team that scored only six points? Dysart was hurt by a poor turnout of juniors and seniors, forcing first-year coach Bruce Jameson to start one freshman and seven sophomores. But the JV team, basically freshmen, finished 3-4 and was two touchdowns from being 5-2. Six seniors with leadership quality are TB Bobby Ellis, WR Frank Garcia, OG Joey Martinez, DL Saul Sandoval, DB Jesse Torres and WR Mike Carillo. One interesting newcomer is DB/WR Steve Smith (6-0, 170), a transfer from Germany who excels in basketball.

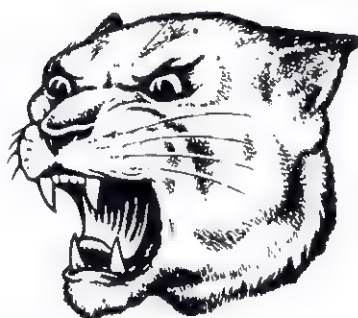
Apache Junction



The Prospectors sailed through an 8-1 regular season, then dropped a 28-6 decision to Round Valley in the Class A semifinals. But the 8-2 finish gives Leon Trotter his fourth 8-win season in the past seven years.

Only five players with varsity experience return, but two are top-notch performers: OC Jerry Trotter (6-0, 180), and HB Tony Steffes (5-9, 150), the fastest player on the roster with 4.6 speed. Trotter will have

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Apache Junction's Leon Trotter makes a point with a ref during 1984 contest with Coolidge.

some good sized linemen to work with like Doug Bobivick (5-11, 215), Jeff Hughes (6-4, 245), Roy Lopez (5-11 190), James Tulton (5-10 185) and Angelo Paffumi (5-7, 170), a small but strong guard, Junior Jeff Cranmer (6-3, 180) should start at QB, and will be joined in the backfield with such skill players as HB Mike LeMaitre, HB Chris Sanchez and HB Chris Hansen. Robert Nuth is a capable receiver at TE.

Scottsdale Christian



Scottsdale Christian, Class C champs in 1983, jumped to Class B warfare and finished with a good 6-4 mark. Coach Jim Dean, 26-24-1 at Arcadia and SC, returns 14 Eagles from that club, including son Jim, an all-state PK and the team's QB, and all-league WR Keith Blue. Runningback Roger Gibson is only a junior, but with 4.6 speed the fastest in the SC camp. David Bruce is the team's fullback. The line looks solid with holdovers Bob Saunders, Matt Adair, Tim Wright, Shawn Disarufino (6-2, 210), Rex Harris, Brett Hoehmann and Greg Smalley, a 5-8, 190-pound TE.

Bourgade Catholic



Bourgade welcomes six holdovers from a 3-6 club, plus junior HB Silas Rash (6-2, 175), a transfer from Snowflake who looked good in the spring. The Eagles' backfield is set with QB Tony Grova, HB Dan Dischner (4.6 forty) and WB Robert Estfan. Jim Fuerhoff is an experienced LB, while Kevin Markham is a capable receiver at TE.

Seton Catholic



Seton Catholic struggled in their first year of Class B ball (2-5-1), but 15 lettermen (10 starters) help paint a brighter picture. Coach Kevin McCarthy returns one of the top offensive players in the conference in TE Chris Gummel (6-1, 180), a senior with 4.9 speed. Two additional all-league selections were QB Mark Bustos (5-10, 150) and NG Mike Eubanks (6-0, 215). Junior Frank Gonzales (5-9, 160) is another good lineman. Senior Arnie Bustillos (6-0, 175) is a hard-running FB.

Western Christian



Western Christian, coached by Brad Tarrant, should field the school's best-ever football team this fall. The Eagles compete in the C-North Conference and return seven starters from last year's 6-3 club. The coaching staff is high on QB Rob Nighswonger (5-11, 180), SE Brad Sherrill (6-0, 155), HB Jeff Smith (5-7, 150), G/TE James Donaldson (5-11, 170), and newcomer Nathan Killen (5-10, 195), a junior FB who benches 320 pounds.

Cactus Shadows



Cactus Shadows, located in Cave Creek, moves into varsity competition against A-North rivals. For two years the Falcons have played 8-man ball. The best prospects on campus look like DE/OT Mike Wilson, LB/RB Scott Moore, and LB/OT Chris McBeth (6-0, 210), a transfer from Utah.



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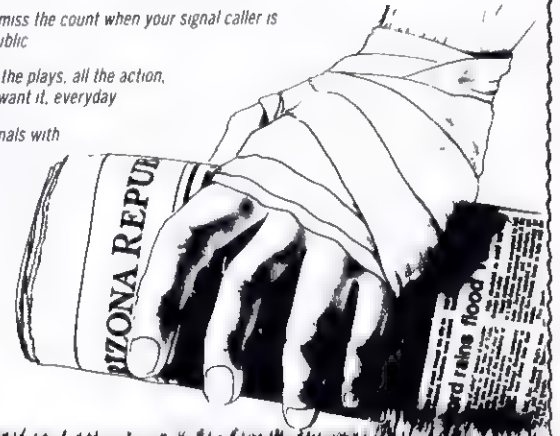
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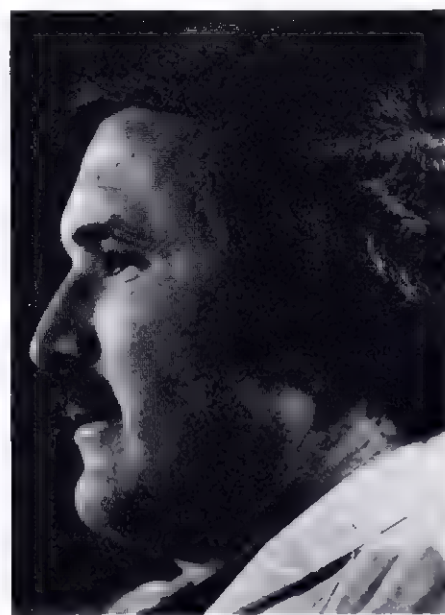
Two local coaches, Pat Lavin at Paradise Valley and Paul Hoffland at Phoenix Alhambra, could reach a milestone in their profession this fall. Both have a chance to win their 100th varsity game in the high school ranks.

Lavin is 96-32-2 in 12 years as a head coach at three different Phoenix area schools: St. Mary's, Agua Fria in Avondale, and Paradise Valley. Hoffland has won 96 games in the prep ranks, but 66 of those wins came in Ohio. He has coached for seven years in the Phoenix Union System, three years at Phoenix Union and four at Alhambra.

If the Lions can dodge the injury bug, Hoffland will have an easier shot at No. 100 than Lavin. This may be the strongest club at Alhambra since Hoffland arrived. But it's a different story over at Paradise Valley, where the Trojans haven't had a winning season since 1975. Progress can be seen.



Alhambra's Paul Hoffland



Paradise Valley's Pat Lavin

Metro Coaches' Checklist

Winning Percentage	Current School	Overall Record	Years
.793	Rick Dunn, Gilbert	23-6-1	3
.776	Karl Kiefer, Tempe McClintock	170-49-3	20
.771	Jesse Parker, Mesa Mountain View	135-40-3	16
.750	Pat Lavin, Paradise Valley	96-32-2	12
.688	Pat Farrell, Phoenix St. Mary's	55-25-2	7
.676	Leon Trotter, Apache Junction	48-23-1	7
.674	Walt Beamis, Phoenix Christian	120-58-4	19
.665	Jerry Loper, Mesa Westwood	127-64-9	22
.653	Tim Logsdon, Buckeye	83-41-3	13
.649	Jim Relph, Phoenix Gerard	37-20-1	6
.646	Dave Leikvold, Phoenix Cortez	62-34-4	10
.645	Glenn Alford, Tempe Union	20-11-1	3
.638	Bill Mitton, Phoenix Trevor Browne	88-50-1	12
.637	Earl Putman, Moon Valley	123-70-5	19
.604	Dave Swerdfeger, Phoenix Washington	64-42-2	10
.599	Brad Tarrant, Western Christian	26-18-0	5
.586	Rick Johnson, Phoenix Deer Valley	17-12-3	3
.581	Larry Hughes, Tempe Corona del Sol	43-31-1	7
.578	Paul Hoffland, Phoenix Alhambra	96-70-3	15
.573	Bill Kee, Sunnyslope	51-38-3	9
.569	Tom Wheatley, Avondale Agua Fria	33-25-2	6
.564	Mike Clark, Mesa Dobson	44-34-3	8
.561	Delvin Schutes, Chandler	23-18-0	4
.555	Bob Keller, Scottsdale Saguaro	65-52-1	11
.555	Steve Daly, Glendale Independence	10-8-0	2
.550	Joe Corte, Scottsdale Coronado	55-45-2	10
.550	Gregg Parrish, Phoenix Greenway	22-18-2	4
.547	Rudy Pacheco, Glendale Apollo	41-34-7	8
.520	Jim Dean, Scottsdale Christian	26-24-1	5
.500	Buck Hall, Phoenix Maryvale	26-26-0	5
.494	Dick McKivergan, Phoenix Shadow Mountain	40-41-1	8
.463	Kevin McCarthy, Chandler Seton Catholic	19-22-1	5
.460	George Endress, Phoenix Central	75-88-4	17
.437	Frank Castro, Tempe Marcos de Niza	45-58-3	11
.389	Jim Davis, Phoenix Bourgade	14-22-1	4
.238	Wayne Bailey, Scottsdale Chaparral	14-45-1	6

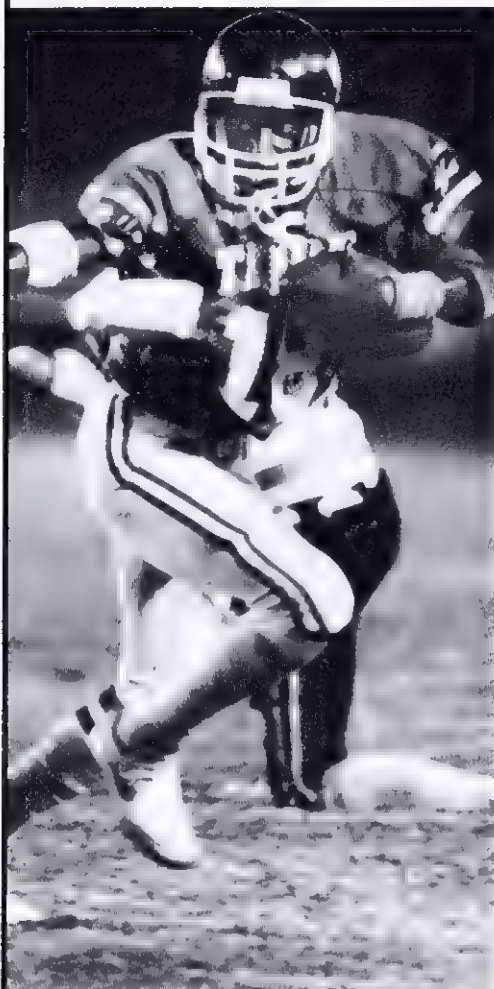
Lavin has coached just two teams at PV, and they finished 3-7 and 4-6. Several changes have been made, all positive. The Trojans move into a new league and will compete against schools more their size, and Lavin has two outstanding prospects to build his 1985 team around: Joe Carter (6-2, 185), one of the valley's best young QB prospects, and tackle Wales Hunkin (6-3, 235), one of the best linemen in their league.

There are 55 high schools which play football in the Valley of the Sun. A recent survey (see chart) listing the winning percentage of each coach who has been on the varsity level for two years or more shows Gilbert's Rick Dunn at the top.

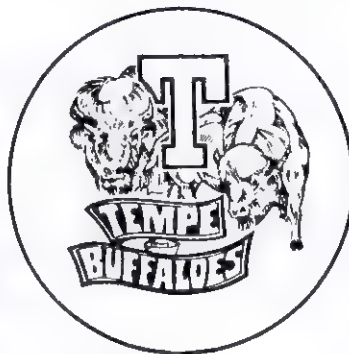
Dunn, who took over for brother Dan three years ago, has compiled an impressive 23-6-1 log in three years at the Class AA school. This season Gilbert moves into the new AAA ranks and opens the season on September 13 with Mountain View. Welcome to AAA ball! Dunn's winning percentage with the Tigers is .793.

Next in line are three coaches who have been in the business for more than a decade, and one, McClintock's Karl Kiefer, two decades. In 20 years at McClintock, Kiefer has won .776 percent of his games, including two Class AAA championships. Not far behind is Mountain View's Jesse Parker (.771), winner of 135 games in 16 years, seven at Phoenix Camelback and nine in the Mesa School System. Among active coaches, Parker has won the most state championships, one at Camelback and three at Mountain View, including a

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Pat Lavin (.750) is the only other active coach to win more than 70% of his games. Ironically, next on the list is Pat Farrell (.688), who replaced Lavin at St. Mary's in 1978 when Lavin joined the college ranks. Farrell was selected state coach of the year after guiding St. Mary's to the 1984 Class AAA title.

Other interesting leaders include Westwood's Jerry Loper with the most years (22) in the business, compiling a 127-64-9 mark at Wellton Antelope, Tucson Amphi and Westwood. Loper is one of 15 coaches in the Valley who have stayed in the profession for more than a decade. The

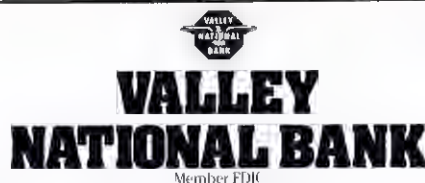
coach faced with the hardest job is Mike Mitchell at Phoenix Carl Hayden. When Mitchell inherited the task, the Falcons were in the middle of one of the longest losing streaks in the nation. A win over Casa Grande last fall finally got that monkey off his back.

Brad Tarrant at Western Christian, Chandler's Delvin Schutes, Independence's Steve Daly, Maryvale's Buck Hall and Hayden's Mitchell are the only coaches in the area who never have coached a tie game. On the other end of the ladder is Rudy Pacheco at Glendale Apollo. His teams have played in seven tie games in just eight years.

New head coaches with one year or less

in the profession include Jay Phillips at Scottsdale Arcadia, Tim Sanford at Brophy Prep, Larry Fetkenhier (8-3-1) at Cactus, Pete Kellen at Phoenix Camelback, Jim Bevell at Scottsdale Chaparral, Peoria Dysart's Bruce Jameson, Tom Hernandez of Glendale, Doug Shaffer at Horizon, Mark Matheson (8-4) at Peoria, and Owen De-Janovich at Phoenix Thunderbird (6-4).

The late Edgar "Mutt" Ford of Mesa fame holds the area record for most career wins with 237, while the best winning percentage belongs to Don Baker (.842), who coached only four years at Camelback between 1961-64; the legendary R.R. "Robby" Robinson went 100-21-13 (.826) at Phoenix Union between 1920 and 1936.



ALL-TIME PHOENIX METROPOLITAN FOOTBALL RECORDS

TOUCHDOWNS (SEASON)

- 29 .. Bob Soza, Westwood, 1966
- 29 .. Anthony Parker, McClintock, 1983
- 26 .. Whizzer White, Mesa, 1946
- 25 .. Quentin Gregory, Arcadia, 1960
- 25 .. Tim Smith, St. Mary's, 1967
- 25 .. Paul Kasprzyk, Mtn. View, 1983
- 23 .. Conrad Flippen, Phoenix Union, 1930
- 22 .. George Greathouse, Phoenix Union, 1954 (jr)
- 22 .. David Mitchell, St. Mary's, 1974 (jr)
- 22 .. Scott Shill, Corona del Sol, 1981
- 22 .. Anthony Parker, McClintock, 1982 (jr)

TOUCHDOWNS (CAREER)

- 63 .. George Greathouse, Phoenix Union, 1952-55
- 60 .. Tim Smith, St. Mary's, 1964-67
- 54 .. Anthony Parker, McClintock, 1981-83
- 52 .. Whizzer White, Mesa, 1944-46
- 47 .. Ronnie Bonner, Westwood, 1972-74
- 46 .. Lowell McDonald, Glendale, 1941-44
- 43 .. LaFayette Winrow, Carver, 1950-53

TOUCHDOWNS (GAME)

- 6 .. Bill Crabtree, Agua Fria, 1952
- 6 .. Brad Royse, Tempe, 1969
- 6 .. Glenn Rogers, Agua Fria, 1982
- 6 .. Anthony Parker, McClintock, 1983
- 6 .. Art Greathouse, McClintock, 1984
- 5 .. Charles Gilliland, Phoenix Union, 1920
- 5 .. Ned Newell, Mesa, 1921
- 5 .. Bob James, Tempe, 1938
- 5 .. Pat Higgins, St. Mary's, 1940
- 5 .. Johnny Graham, Mesa, 1942
- 5 .. Marvin Williams, Tempe, 1949
- 5 .. LaFayette Winrow, Carver, 1952
- 5 .. Ken Aycock, North, 1953
- 5 .. Mike Tiffany, St. Mary's, 1956
- 5 .. Ted Newman, North, 1956
- 5 .. Richard Molina, Mesa, 1957
- 5 .. Andy Livingston, Mesa, 1961
- 5 .. Chuck Bishop, Judson, 1964
- 5 .. Tim Smith, St. Mary's, 1966
- 5 .. Tim Smith, St. Mary's, 1966
- 5 .. Dan White, West, 1967
- 5 .. David Hinds, McClintock, 1972
- 5 .. Kent Roberts, East, 1974
- 5 .. Terry Payne, McClintock, 1980
- 5 .. Chuck Abbadessa, McClintock, 1980
- 5 .. Vince Lopez, Agua Fria, 1981
- 5 .. Anthony Parker, McClintock, 1982, (jr)
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- 5 .. Anthony Parker, McClintock, 1983

POINTS (SEASON)

- 181 .. Whizzer White, Mesa, 1946
- 174 .. Bob Soza, Westwood, 1966
- 174 .. Anthony Parker, McClintock, 1983
- 157 .. Tim Smith, St. Mary's, 1967

- 152 .. Paul Kasprzyk, Mtn. View, 1983
- 150 .. Quentin Gregory, Arcadia, 1960
- 148 .. Conrad Flippen, Phoenix Union, 1930
- 144 .. Ed Hartman, Coronado, 1969
- 144 .. Ronnie Bonner, Westwood, 1973 (jr)
- 141 .. Mike Tiffany, St. Mary's, 1956
- 139 .. Jon Chesser, Mesa, 1960
- 134 .. Brian Felix, Phoenix Union, 1975
- 132 .. George Greathouse, Phoenix Union, 1954 (jr)
- 132 .. David Mitchell, St. Mary's, 1974 (jr)
- 132 .. Scott Shill, Corona del Sol, 1981
- 132 .. Anthony Parker, McClintock, 1982 (jr)

POINTS (CAREER)

- 383 .. George Greathouse, Phoenix Union, 1952-55
- 376 .. Ronnie Bonner, Westwood, 1972-74
- 368 .. Tim Smith, St. Mary's, 1964-67
- 353 .. Whizzer White, Mesa, 1944-46
- 344 .. Anthony Parker, McClintock, 1981-83
- 289 .. Lowell McDonald, Glendale, 1941-44

POINTS (GAME)

- 36 .. Bill Crabtree, Agua Fria, 1952
- 36 .. Brad Royse, Tempe, 1969
- 36 .. Glenn Rogers, Agua Fria, 1982
- 36 .. Anthony Parker, McClintock, 1983
- 36 .. Art Greathouse, McClintock, 1984

RUSHING YARDS (SEASON)

- 1,991 .. Whizzer White, Mesa, 1946
- 1,952 .. Scott Shill, Corona del Sol, 1981
- 1,927 .. Bob Soza, Westwood, 1966
- 1,913 .. David Mitchell, St. Mary's, 1974 (jr)
- 1,912 .. Glenn Rogers, Agua Fria, 1982
- 1,720 .. Tim Smith, St. Mary's, 1967
- 1,671 .. Dennis James, Tempe, 1982
- 1,640 .. Paul Kasprzyk, Mtn. View, 1983
- 1,576 .. George Greathouse, Phoenix Union, 1954 (jr)
- 1,552 .. Mike Knudsen, Gerard, 1978

RUSHING YARDS (CAREER)

- 4,551 .. George Greathouse, Phoenix Union, 1952-55
- 4,307 .. Whizzer White, Mesa, 1944-46
- 4,050 .. Ronnie Bonner, Westwood, 1972-74
- 3,632 .. David Mitchell, St. Mary's, 1973-75
- 3,561 .. Scott Shill, Corona del Sol, 1978-81
- 3,520 .. Tim Smith, St. Mary's, 1964-67
- 3,257 .. Gus Armstrong, St. Mary's, 1975-77
- 3,445 .. Don Washington, Agua Fria, 1968-71

RUSHING YARDS (GAME)

- 358 .. Glenn Rogers, Agua Fria, 1982
- 344 .. Brian Pringle, Sunnyslope, 1970
- 339 .. Ronnie Bonner, Westwood, 1972 (so.)

- 327 .. Jim McQuinn, Central, 1976
- 314 .. Vai Sikahema, Mesa, 1978
- 307 .. Chuck Bishop, Judson, 1964
- 306 .. Eric Parham, Marcos de Niza, 1982
- 304 .. Tony Marquez, Apache Junction, 1971
- 300 .. Conrad Flippen, Phoenix Union, 1930

CARRIES (GAME)

- 44 .. Forrest Valora, Trevor Browne, 1975
- 43 .. Forrest Valora, Trevor Browne, 1975
- 40 .. Craig Amack, Tempe, 1974
- 39 .. Gus Armstrong, St. Mary's, 1966
- 37 .. Steve Romero, Mesa, 1970
- 37 .. Ronnie Bonner, Westwood, 1973 (jr)
- 37 .. Gus Armstrong, St. Mary's, 1975
- 37 .. Larry Muckerman, Brophy, 1964

AVERAGE YARDS PER CARRY (SEASON)

- 12.3 .. Rick Kelton, Gilbert, 1974
- 10.8 .. Jerry Lamb, Chandler, 1955
- 10.7 .. Everett Rollins, Arcadia, 1962
- 10.0 .. Earliest Nelson, South, 1963
- 9.6 .. Frank Bernal, North, 1964
- 9.5 .. Brian Pringle, Sunnyslope, 1970
- 9.2 .. Joe Jackson, South, 1963
- 9.1 .. Don Whitlatch, Coronado, 1972

LONGEST TOUCHDOWN RUN

- 99 .. Sammy Johnson, Mesa, 1952
- 99 .. Craig Ponczak, Gerard, 1964
- 99 .. Jerry Harper, Chaparral, 1980
- 98 .. Jim Rawlins, Tempe, 1950
- 98 .. Danny Arredondo, Tempe, 1952
- 97 .. Kenny Rubis, Tempe, 1955
- 97 .. Warren Livingston, Mesa, 1956
- 97 .. Tim Smith, St. Mary's, 1966 (jr)
- 97 .. Larry Hemphill, Westwood, 1969
- 97 .. David Mitchell, St. Mary's, 1973 (so)
- 97 .. John Rosales, Chandler, 1977

RUSHING YARDS (PER GAME)

- 181.0 .. Whizzer White, Mesa, 1946
- 173.8 .. Glenn Rogers, Agua Fria, 1982
- 162.1 .. Scott Shill, Corona del Sol, 1981
- 160.6 .. Bob Soza, Westwood, 1966
- 157.6 .. George Greathouse, Phoenix Union, 1954 (jr)
- 151.5 .. Forrest Valora, Trevor Browne, 1977
- 149.2 .. George Greathouse, Carver, 1952 (fr)
- 148.6 .. Ronnie Bonner, Westwood, 1973 (jr)
- 147.0 .. David Mitchell, St. Mary's, 1974 (jr)

PASSING YARDS (SEASON)

- 2,233 .. Steve Belles, St. Mary's, 1984
- 2,170 .. Kent Kiefer, McClintock, 1983 (so)
- 2,011 .. Cary Palmer, Mesa, 1974

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Westwood QB Chad White, brother of Dallas Cowboy QB Danny White, passed for 326 yards against Marcos de Niza in 1985, breaking his brother's school record.

1,984 .. Cary Palmer, Mesa, 1973 (jr)
 1,951 .. Chuck LeVinus, Cactus, 1984
 1,947 .. Kevin Smith, Saguaro, 1978 (jr)
 1,892 .. Greg Hubbell, Central, 1972
 1,891 .. Mike Hold, Corona del Sol, 1980
 1,864 .. Scooter Molander, CDS, 1984
 1,856 .. John Rodriguez, St. Mary's, 1981
 1,822 .. Bob Pitre, Arcadia, 1975
 1,816 .. Rick Holman, Mesa, 1972
 1,795 .. Chris Stanfield, Mesa, 1981
 1,794 .. Dan Blewitt, Sunnyslope, 1983 (jr)

PASSING YARDS (CAREER)

4,712 .. Scooter Molander, CDS, 1982-84
 4,596 .. Steve Belles, St. Mary's, 1982-84
 4,007 .. Fred Mortensen, Tempe, 1969-71
 3,995 .. Cary Palmer, Mesa, 1973-74
 3,807 .. Kent Kiefer, McClintock, 1983-84
 3,597 .. Tom Baker, St. Mary's, 1969-71
 3,474 .. Tom Campbell, Seton, 1967-69
 3,462 .. John Walker, MDN, 1981-83
 2,926 .. Bill Mannion St. Mary's, 1967-68
 2,621 .. Kenny Johnson, Arcadia, 1967-68

PASSING YARDS (GAME)

404 .. Mike Makings, Scottsdale, 1971
 403 .. Rick Johnson, PV, 1983
 385 .. Rick Savale, Arcadia, 1966
 380 .. Bob Pitre, Arcadia, 1975
 365 .. Todd Sheridan, Arcadia, 1982
 351 .. Fred Mortensen, Tempe, 1971
 351 .. Kerry Kersting, Alhambra, 1978
 346 .. Scooter Molander, CDS, 1982
 342 .. Don Hibbard, Gilbert, 1977

338 .. Cary Palmer, Mesa, 1974
 327 .. John Walker, Marcos de Niza, 1983

TOUCHDOWN PASSES (SEASON)

24 .. Chris Calcagno, Gerard, 1974
 23 .. Greg Hubbell, Central, 1972
 23 .. Chris Stanfield, Mesa, 1981
 22 .. Bill Mannion, St. Mary's, 1967
 22 .. Chris Skelly, St. Mary's, 1974
 21 .. Tom Baker, St. Mary's, 1969 (so)
 20 .. Bill Burrola, Moon Valley, 1975
 20 .. Jim Fossenkemper, McClintock, 1980
 20 .. Steve Belles, St. Mary's, 1984

TOUCHDOWN PASSES (CAREER)

45 .. Tom Baker, St. Mary's, 1969-71
 40 .. Bill Mannion, St. Mary's, 1966-68
 40 .. Steve Belles, St. Mary's, 1982-84
 37 .. Chris Calcagno, Gerard, 1972-74
 36 .. Horace Griffen, Mesa, 1936-38
 36 .. Tom Campbell, Seton, 1967-69
 33 .. Kent Kiefer, McClintock, 1983-84
 31 .. Rusty Tillman, Agua Fria, 1961-63
 31 .. Cary Palmer, Mesa, 1973-74
 31 .. Scooter Molander, CDS, 1982-84
 29 .. LaFayette Winrow, Carver, 1950-53
 29 .. Fred Mortensen, Tempe, 1969-71

TOUCHDOWN PASSES (GAME)

6 .. Duncan Brown, Mesa, 1924
 6 .. Gary Carpenter, North, 1968
 5 .. Charlie Beal, Mesa, 1943
 5 .. Ted Blake, Sunnyslope, 1965
 5 .. Mike Makings, Scottsdale, 1971

5 .. Fred Mortensen, Tempe, 1971
 5 .. Shawn Gilbert, Agua Fria, 1982
 5 .. Scooter Molander, CDS, 1982
 5 .. Jeff Zygmunt, Deer Valley, 1984

LONGEST TOUCHDOWN PASS

98 .. Ken Butler to Ralph Flores, Sunnyslope, 1960
 97 .. Al Eliserio to Al Dossie, Phoenix Union, 1976
 97 .. Steve Belles to Chris Buford, St. Mary's, 1982
 95 .. Carey Palmer to Mickey Hatcher, Mesa, 1973
 94 .. Al Martinez to Keith Rawls, Corona del Sol, 1982
 94 .. Steve Shill to Keith Miller, Mountain View, 1978
 92 .. Scooter Molander to Marvin Goudeau, Corona del Sol, 1983

CATCHES (SEASON)

61 .. Bryan Snyder, Sunnyslope, 1983 (jr)
 60 .. Bill Sorcinelli, Camelback, 1964
 59 .. Travis Ligons, Cactus, 1984
 58 .. Ed Flores, Arcadia, 1976
 58 .. Pat Schabel, Westwood, 1984
 57 .. Greg Anderson, St. Mary's, 1967
 57 .. Mickey Hatcher, Mesa, 1973
 56 .. Larry Bandura, Scottsdale, 1971
 55 .. Bryan Johnson, CDS, 1984
 55 .. Andy Teilborg, Sunnyslope, 1984
 54 .. Jim Palmer, Scottsdale, 1962
 53 .. Mike Bowling, Agua Fria, 1966
 53 .. Rick Molina, Tempe, 1971
 53 .. Keith Miller, Mountain View, 1978
 53 .. R. Groppenbacher, McClintock, 1984

CATCHES (CAREER)

119 .. Speedy Hart, St. Mary's, 1973-75
 92 .. R. Groppenbacher, McClintock, 1982-84
 90 .. Mike Bowling, Agua Fria, 1964-66
 87 .. Tim Johnson, Arcadia, 1973-75
 87 .. Nick Ortega, McClintock, 1967-69
 85 .. Brad Anderson, Alhambra, 1977-78
 82 .. Rick Molina, Tempe, 1970-71

CATCHES (GAME)

16 .. Mickey Hatcher, Mesa, 1973
 12 .. Brad Anderson, Alhambra, 1978
 12 .. Pat Schabel, Westwood, 1984
 12 .. Pat Schabel, Westwood, 1984
 11 .. Mark Gonzales, Tempe, 1973
 11 .. Dale Lyons, Arcadia, 1974
 11 .. Pete Klaass, PV, 1983 (jr)
 11 .. Andy Teilborg, Sunnyslope, 1984
 10 .. Mike Cosgrove, Bourgade, 1968
 10 .. Speedy Hart, St. Mary's, 1975
 10 .. David Donahue, McClintock, 1982

RECEIVING YARDS (GAME)

302 .. Pete Klaass, PV, 1983 (jr)
 296 .. Larry Bandura, Scottsdale, 1971
 226 .. Larry Bandura, Scottsdale, 1971
 224 .. David Donahue, McClintock, 1982
 220 .. Todd Young, MDN, 1983 (jr)
 208 .. Mickey Hatcher, Mesa, 1973
 206 .. Ron Turner, North, 1968
 203 .. Nick Ortega, McClintock, 1969
 201 .. Brad Anderson, Alhambra, 1978

RECEIVING YARDS (SEASON)

1,226 .. Mickey Hatcher, Mesa, 1973
 1,090 .. Larry Bandura, Scottsdale, 1975
 1,038 .. Rick Molina, Tempe, 1971
 1,008 .. Pete Klaass, PV, 1983 (jr)
 1,014 .. Pat Schabel, Westwood, 1984
 997 .. Keith Miller, Mountain View, 1978
 986 .. Mike Bowling, Agua Fria, 1966
 934 .. Speedy Hart, St. Mary's, 1974 (jr)

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RECEIVING YARDS (CAREER)

2,172 .. Speedy Hart, St. Mary's, 1973-75
 1,585 .. R. Groppenbacher, McClintock
 1982-84
 1,488 .. Rick Molina, Tempe, 1970-71
 1,403 .. Brad Anderson, Alhambra, 1977-78
 1,339 .. Guy Logan,
 Corona del Sol, 1978-80

TD CATCHES (SEASON)

14 .. Speedy Hart, St. Mary's, 1974 (jr)
 14 .. Dewey Horton, Gilbert, 1977
 13 .. Murl Huff, Phoenix Union, 1924
 13 .. Mike Bowling, Agua Fria, 1966
 13 .. Rick Molina, Tempe, 1971
 13 .. Mike Baker, Gerard, 1974
 13 .. James Sosinski, McClintock, 1980
 12 .. Marvin Scott, Mesa, 1945
 12 .. Mickey Hatcher, Mesa, 1973

TD CATCHES (CAREER)

29 .. Speedy Hart, St. Mary's, 1973-75
 19 .. Dick Harris, Westwood, 1968-70
 18 .. Jesus Tirado, Marcos de Niza, 1972-74
 17 .. Rick Molina, Tempe, 1970-71
 16 .. Marvin Scott, Mesa, 1943-45
 16 .. Herbie Ramirez, McClintock, 1972-75
 16 .. R. Groppenbacher, McClintock,
 1982-84

TD CATCHES (GAME)

4 .. Murl Huff, Phoenix Union, 1924
 4 .. Cecil Crouch, Mesa, 1943
 4 .. Jim Palmer, Scottsdale, 1962
 4 .. Mike Bowling, Agua Fria, 1966
 4 .. Dan White, West, 1967
 4 .. Dick Harris, Westwood, 1969
 4 .. Jesus Tirado, Marcos de Niza, 1974

AVERAGE YARDS PER CATCH (SEASON)

37.7 .. Tom White, Saguaro, 1975
 28.3 .. Randall McDaniel, Agua Fria, 1982
 27.8 .. Robert Halley, Trevor Browne, 1983
 26.1 .. Chris Buford, St. Mary's, 1981 (jr)
 25.1 .. Ruben Gomez, Corona del Sol, 1980
 23.3 .. Darion Gilbert, PUHS, 1970
 23.1 .. Glenn Dennard, MDN, 1980 (jr)
 22.8 .. James Sosinski, McClintock, 1980
 22.5 .. Everett Rollins, Arcadia, 1962
 21.9 .. David Reyes, CDS, 1983 (jr)

INTERCEPTIONS (SEASON)

15 .. Mike Vere, Bourgade, 1972
 14 .. Mickey Bell, Cactus, 1979
 13 .. Shawn Benson, Mesa, 1981
 12 .. Bill Dibley, Arcadia, 1965 (jr)
 12 .. Scott Hutson, Mtn. View, 1983
 11 .. Todd Nielson, Marcos de Niza, 1973
 11 .. Jeff Taylor, Central, 1975
 10 .. Dick Harris, Westwood, 1969(jr)
 10 .. Brian Felix, Phoenix Union, 1975
 10 .. Matt Palacio, McClintock, 1977
 10 .. Gerry McClelland, Westwood, 1978
 10 .. Ron Rutledge, Gilbert, 1978
 10 .. Jeff Arredondo, CDS, 1981

INTERCEPTIONS (CAREER)

19 .. Bill Dibley, Arcadia, 1965-66
 17 .. Dick Harris, Westwood, 1968-70

INTERCEPTIONS (GAME)

5 .. Dick Gwinn, Judson, 1964
 4 .. Ned Newell, Mesa, 1921
 4 .. Albert Guthrie, Mesa, 1921
 4 .. Craig Cardon, Mesa, 1966
 4 .. Pat Farrell, St. Mary's, 1969
 4 .. Dick Harris, Westwood, 1970
 4 .. Mark Oligschlaeger, Bourgade, 1972
 4 .. Brett Baker, Saguaro, 1974



*Darion Gilbert,
Phoenix Union*



*Bryan Snyder,
Sunnyslope*

LONGEST RETURN (INTERCEPTION)

103 .. John Hefftom, Moon Valley, 1980
 102 .. Quincy Fowler, St. Mary's, 1941
 102 .. Elby Bushong, Washington, 1961
 102 .. Chris Enos, Cortez, 1982
 100 .. Benny Garcia, Agua Fria, 1962
 100 .. Mike Smith, Phoenix Christian, 1962
 100 .. David Given, McClintock, 1975
 100 .. Scott Lubow, Shadow Mtn. 1984
 99 .. Steve Millman, Arcadia, 1979
 99 .. Jeff Sargent, Shadow Mtn. 1984

FIELD GOALS (SEASON)

11 .. Matt McKinney, Saguaro, 1978
 11 .. Mike Cortright, St. Mary's, 1984
 9 .. Rick Romero, Gilbert, 1975
 9 .. Dave Wood, Washington, 1978 (jr)
 9 .. Richard Jones, Chapparal, 1982
 8 .. Monte Varah, Saguaro, 1975
 8 .. Chubby Granado, Gilbert, 1976
 8 .. Rob Bell, Tempe, 1976
 8 .. Dave Wood, Washington, 1977 (so)
 8 .. Frank Coen, McClintock, 1980
 8 .. R. Groppenbacher, McClintock,
 1983 (jr)
 8 .. Scott Reutter, Moon Valley, 1984 (so)

FIELD GOALS (CAREER)

22 .. Dave Wood, Washington, 1976-79
 17 .. Mike Cortright, St. Mary's, 1983-84
 15 .. Monte Varah, Saguaro, 1973-75
 14 .. Richard Jones, Chaparral, 1981-82
 12 .. Luis Vega, West, 1966-67

FIELD GOALS (GAME)

4 .. Lawrence Bever, Phoenix Union, 1925
 4 .. Phil Insalaco, PC, 1984
 3 .. Luis Vega, West, 1966 (jr)
 3 .. Luis Vega, West, 1967
 3 .. Monte Varah, Saguaro, 1974 (jr)
 3 .. Rob Bell, Tempe, 1976 (jr)
 3 .. Steve Miller, St. Mary's, 1976
 3 .. Rob Bell, Tempe, 1977
 3 .. Brad Stewart, Agua Fria, 1977
 3 .. Matt Maddux, Tolleson, 1979
 3 .. John Knight, Apollo, 1979
 3 .. Richard Jones, Chaparral, 1981 (jr)
 3 .. Mike Cortwright, St. Mary's, 1983 (so)
 3 .. Scott Reutter, Moon Valley, 1984 (so)

LONGEST FIELD GOAL

54 .. Bob Facio, Gerard, 1977
 54 .. Chuck Hunzinger, Deer Valley, 1984
 52 .. Lee Pistor, Central, 1973
 52 .. Benny Moreno, North, 1977
 52 .. David Ohton, Alhambra, 1977
 50 .. Lee Pistor, Central, 1973
 50 .. Dave Wood, Washington, 1977
 50 .. Lee Penick, West, 1977

PATS (SEASON)

63 .. Frank Coen, McClintock, 1980
 58 .. Barry Duncan, Moon Valley, 1982
 52 .. Frank Coen, McClintock, 1979 (jr)
 52 .. R. Groppenbacher, McClintock,
 1983 (jr)
 52 .. R. Groppenbacher, McClintock,
 1984
 48 .. Mike Schuh, Mtn. View, 1983 (jr)
 46 .. Tony McClure, McClintock, 1977
 45 .. Mike Cortright, St. Mary's, 1984 (jr)
 44 .. Bobby Ramirez, McClintock, 1968

PATS (CAREER)

134 .. R. Groppenbacher, McClintock
 1982-84
 115 .. Frank Coen, McClintock, 1979-80
 88 .. Tony McClure, McClintock, 1976-77
 88 .. Barry Duncan, Moon Valley, 1981-82

PATS (GAME)

15 .. Danny White, Westwood, 1969
 11 .. Ed Brooks, Phoenix Union, 1914
 9 .. Frank Coen, McClintock, 1980
 9 .. R. Groppenbacher, McClintock,
 1982 (so)

CONSECUTIVE PATS

34 .. Greg Thibault, Coronado, 1976
 29 .. Oscar Ramirez, Marcos de Niza, 1973

LONGEST PUNT

84 .. John Durso, Arcadia, 1976
 80 .. Justus Goebel, Phoenix Union, 1910
 77 .. Doug Pasanella, Paradise Valley, 1978
 75 .. Oscar Reynolds, St. Mary's, 1939
 75 .. Whizzer White, Mesa, 1945
 75 .. Dennis Goettl, Central, 1973
 74 .. Dennis Goettl, Central, 1973
 73 .. Bob Peterson, Mesa, 1942
 72 .. Pat Hawbaker, St. Mary's, 1971

PUNTING AVERAGE

47.5 .. Jeff Skousen, Mesa, 1922
 47.0 .. Jim McCann, North, 1965
 45.9 .. Whizzer White, Mesa, 1945 (jr)
 45.7 .. Kevin Rutledge, Gilbert, 1976
 44.6 .. Pat Hawbaker, St. Mary's, 1971
 44.5 .. Mike Springer, Mtn. View, 1982
 44.0 .. Dennis Goettl, Central, 1973

LONGEST FUMBLE RECOVERY (TD)

101 .. Ray Elzey, Phoenix Union, 1941
 99 .. Sam Houston, St. Mary's, 1944
 98 .. Robert Taylor, Carver, 1950
 94 .. Jerry Thompson, Deer Valley, 1984
 90 .. Charles Luckey, Carver, 1951
 90 .. Brian Barge, East, 1977
 90 .. Herman Purity, Carver, 1950

LONGEST RETURN (BLOCKED FG)

97 .. Percell Lewis, Carl Hayden, 1967

LONGEST PUNT RETURN (TD)

100 .. Larry Royse, Tempe, 1956
 100 .. Tom Ribaudo, East, 1967
 97 .. Ron Phifer, Camelback, 1955
 95 .. Charles Christopher, Carver, 1952
 95 .. Rick Lammers, Agua Fria, 1964
 95 .. Tim Peterson, Washington, 1966
 95 .. George Caldwell, Arcadia, 1974
 95 .. John Jenkins, Paradise Valley, 1972
 92 .. Joe Butkiewicz, Bourgade, 1967

LONGEST KICKOFF RETURN (TD)

99 .. Lavell Blackburn, Mesa, 1926
 99 .. Alec Austin, Shadow Mountain, 1976
 99 .. Major Farris, Carl Hayden, 1976
 99 .. Tom Peck, McClintock, 1981

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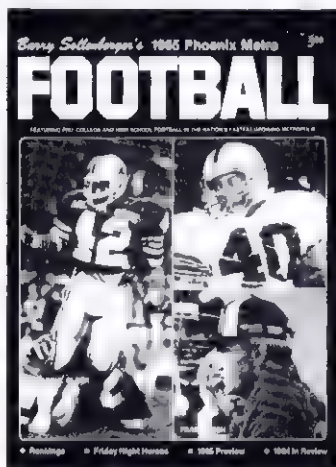
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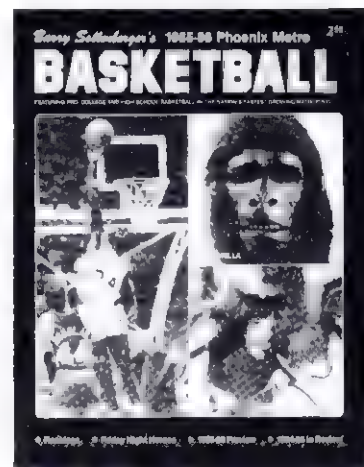


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Yesterday

"Those Boys From Phoenix Were Really Tough!"

By Barry Sollenberger

If you're new to the Valley of the Sun, here's an interesting note about Phoenix high school football that should surprise most newcomers:

Between the years 1916 and 1969, high schools from the Valley played 219 games against teams from outside the state. Schools like St. Mary's, Phoenix Union, Camelback, North and Mesa locked horns against teams from Nebraska, Texas, California, Utah, New Mexico, Colorado and Nevada.

The local boys did themselves proud, winning 130 games, losing 73 and tying 16. Schools from as far away as Port Arthur, TX, and Boys Town, NB, fought it out with Arizona high schools on local gridirons.

But the most amazing stat is the surprising success Phoenix schools had against teams from Southern California. Starting in 1916, when Santa Ana beat Phoenix Union 9-0, and stopping in 1961, Phoenix schools played 108 games against California, winning 56, losing 42 and tying 10.

Population-wise, one of the nation's smallest regions was playing the largest. And during that era schools like Mesa and Phoenix Union played the best California had to offer. Over 100 games were played against powerhouses like San Diego High, Long Beach Poly, Bakersfield, Compton and Fullerton.

Only one contest took place between a local team and one from Northern California; on December 27, 1939, when the Arizona All-Stars defeated the San Francisco All-Stars 6-0 in the annual Valley of



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the Sun Classic at Montgomery Stadium. The winners only score came on a 9-yard touchdown pass from Phoenix Union's Ted Olea to teammate Tex Blanchard. In other all-star clashes, Arizona dropped a 9-6 decision to Chicago, and a 19-12 battle with Atlanta.

"From the end of World War II through the next decade, high school football in Phoenix was as good as anywhere in the nation."

Not only did the local teams clash with the likes of Bakersfield or Long Beach Poly during regular-season play, but legendary athletes like Cotton Warburton, Frank Gifford and Paul Lowe, just several from a list of hundreds, played against teams from Phoenix.

"Most of us had dominated the El Paso

During a 41-13 win over Compton Centennial, sophomore Warren Livingston (21), later a star with the Dallas Cowboys, scored the Jackrabbits' last touchdown.

schools for years," said the late Edgar "Mutt" Ford at Mesa, winner of 237 games in the prep ranks. "Those schools weren't as strong after World War II as they were before. We had a lot of friends in Southern California. Some of our players went to college and coached over there.

"This is how we built such a good rivalry with some of their better teams. We always tried to schedule the Los Angeles champion, or the winner of the Southern CIF Section. If we heard that one school was going to be strong, we'd try and schedule that team. Sometimes it worked out and sometimes it didn't."

For Ford and his Mesa Jackrabbits, it worked out all the time. Ford-coached teams never lost to a California school. They were 10-0-0 against West Coast clubs, including an incredible 40-13 win over 1954 CIF champ Compton Centennial, and their All-American QB Paul Lowe, later an all-pro with the San Diego Chargers.

"This was the best team we faced all year," said Centennial coach Aaron Wade after the debacle. "We passed more than usual because we didn't want to get any of our backs hurt for the playoffs next week. But Mesa really trounced us."

In 1950, Compton High won the CIF title with a 26-14 win over Fullerton. But early in October they were ambushed by North Phoenix, 26-14, ending a 14-game winning streak. North was coached at the time by Tom Black and Cecil Coleman. The Mustangs also defeated Santa Barbara, 48-28, without all-state fullback Gene Mitcham, out with a hurt leg. Santa Barbara QB Sal "Chavo" Padilla completed 20 of 39 passes for 392 yards, but it wasn't enough, as the Dons were crushed in their first meeting with North.

"We knew from our scouting reports that North had a fine team," said Coach Clarence Schutte of Santa Barbara. "We should have played better. Those Phoenix boys were really tough."

The 1950 Freemont Pathfinders, coached by Harry Edelson, won the Los Angeles city crown three years in a row. But Phoenix Union beat that 1950 club 12-6, giving the Coyotes five straight wins against West Coast schools. Ironically, Phoenix Union, winner of a national-record 25 state football crowns, had a losing record against California clubs: 29-34-7 between 1916 and 1956.

On nine different occasions, Phoenix Union played teams who competed in the Southern CIF title game. In 1919, Long Beach Poly beat Fullerton 47-0 for the CIF crown. That same Poly club trounced the Coyotes 102-0, when Phoenix was forced to kick to Long Beach after each Poly TD. That rule has since changed.

The same night Phoenix Union was beating Los Angeles Freemont in 1950, Mesa was scoring 34 points in the first half against unbeaten Pasadena Muir. The Jackrabbits, with a 206-pound per man forward wall, prevailed 41-6. One month later Mesa's Don Beasley scored three touchdowns as the Rabbits trounced Covina, 49-20.

Compton gained revenge over North in 1951 with a hard-fought 26-20 win over the Mustangs. At that time the California school had 5,600 students, the largest of any high school west of the Mississippi River. That same season North beat Santa Barbara for the second year in a row, 13-0.

Little St. Mary's held their own against many of the larger Catholic schools from the Los Angeles area, compiling a 13-5-3 won-loss record between 1938 and 1958. The Knights played only four games with

public schools from the Southland, splitting a pair with Blythe, and beating San Diego area schools Grossmont, 34-25, and Hoover, 20-8, both in 1952. Games were scheduled with such Catholic schools as Mount Carmel, Pomona Catholic and San Diego St. Augustine.

Two of the most famous wins by local teams over schools from the West Coast have to be Phoenix Union's 22-20 battle with San Diego in 1930, and Mesa's historic rout of Compton Centennial in 1954. When the 1930 season came to an end, Robby Robinson's Coyotes were the top-ranked high school team in the nation, according to the *National Sports News Service* in Minneapolis. Led by prep All-American Conrad Flippen, PUHS beat Ft. Collins, CO, 38-7 to end the season and win the crown.

The Arizona Inter-scholastic Association, the state's governing body, now discourages such interstate games . . .

In November of 1954, Centennial beat Glendale Hoover 12-6 for the Southern CIF football crown. The Apaches, with Paul Lowe at QB, were the pride of the Southland. But on November 10, they traveled to Mesa and faced Arizona's No. 2-ranked club in Jackrabbit Stadium. The game was a shocker.

Homecoming King Ralph Hunsaker scored two touchdowns and passed for two

against the Bay League champs. Halfback Weldon Jackson rushed for 148 yards on 19 carries. Although badly outplayed, Mesa held a slim 14-13 lead at halftime. But two quick mistakes by the Apaches turned a close game into a 41-13 Mesa rout. Sophomore Warren Livingston, later a star with the Dallas Cowboys, scored the Jackrabbits' last TD.

During "Mutt" Ford's last season at Mesa High, the Jackrabbits journeyed north of Long Beach and beat Fermin LeSuen, 25-7. Andy Livingston, younger brother of Warren, scored three touchdowns and rushed for 222 yards. The date was October 13, 1961. It was the last time a school from Phoenix played a school from the Southland in a football game. The Arizona Inter-scholastic Association, the state's governing body, now discourages such interstate games.

"From the end of World War II through the next decade, high school football in Phoenix was as good as anywhere in the nation," claimed the late Conrad Russell, founder of the *Southwest Sports News Service* in Albuquerque. "It proved that there are good teams and good players everywhere. There's just more of them in regions or states that have more people. It's a numbers game. But no state has a monopoly on all the talent."

"During that span in time, Phoenix really started to boom. There just wasn't any bad football programs during that era. They proved it on the football field. Those Arizona teams could play with anybody."

They often did.



Phoenix Union won only four games in 1953, but one of those victims was Bakersfield, 12-0. Above, wingback Sherman Gile (57) gains 15 yards against the Drillers.

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- A black and white photograph of four young men in athletic wear, leaning forward in a starting position, likely for a race. They are wearing t-shirts with "REAR" and "73" visible. The man on the far right is partially cut off by the frame. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

ANSWERS: 1) AAA South; 2) Hornets (Phoenix Tech), Beavers (Scottsdale), Thunderbirds (West), Coyotes (Phoenix), Monarchs (Carver), Longhorns (East), all closed schools; 3) Rick Dunn, Gilbert; 4) Tucson 1968; 5) Mesa's Edgar "Mutt" Ford; 6) McClintock's Kent Kiefer; 7) Arcadia 1962; 8) Tucson 1970; PHOTO: Arcadia's 1962 all-star backfield, and the colleges they attended on athletic scholarships. L-R, Pat McGinty (California Western), Everett Rollins (Kansas), Dana Woudenberg (USC) and John Propstra (Stanford).

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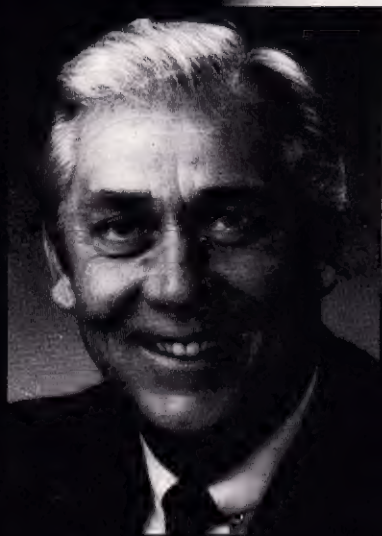


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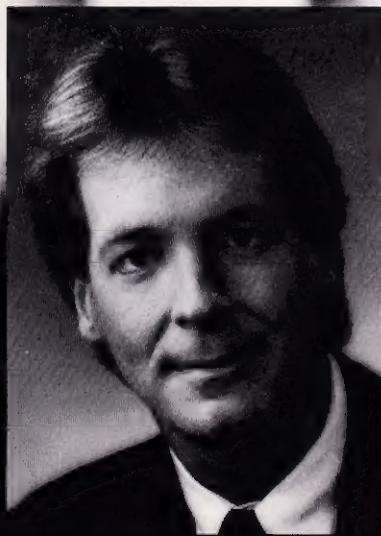
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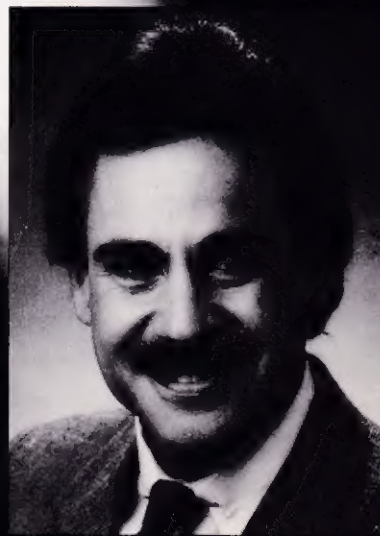
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